

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 25 2015

RE: H.B. No. 448

H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 448,
H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Health to conduct reviews of domestic violence fatalities, near-deaths, and suicides within one year of any occurrence; and
- (2) Authorize the Department of Health to enter into memoranda of understanding to obtain information relating to near-deaths resulting from intimate partner violence.

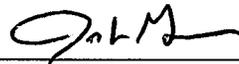
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, PHOCUSED, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that in Hawaii, it is estimated that about 132,000 adults experience intimate partner violence in their lifetime. However, the majority of those adults do not report such experiences to authorities. This measure will further increase the understanding of domestic violence by the community and provide much needed feedback and data for agencies and organizations.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 448, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



JOSH GREEN, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 448 HD1	HTH, ODL/WAM	3/18/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GREEN, Josh (C)	X			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)				X
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	X			
GABBARD, Mike	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	X			
SLOM, Sam	X			
TOTAL	6	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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