

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 596

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 148
S.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 Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 148 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NUISANCE ABATEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to include gambling
among the types of offenses that are subject to the nuisance
abatement laws.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Hawaii; and
Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that illegal gambling establishments can
generate a large volume of cash and lead to neighborhood and
community nuisances by becoming a haven for organized crime. This
measure will supplement existing police efforts by providing an
additional tool to remedy illegal activity at specific buildings,
premises, or places within the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of January 7, 2059, to
encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the
purposes of clarity and consistency.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 148, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 148, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,



GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



