

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2177

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2046

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and  
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2046 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit trigger  
modification devices, including bump stocks, that are designed or  
function to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic  
firearm.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Office of the Mayor, County of Hawai'i; Honolulu Police  
Department; Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of  
Maui; Americans for Democratic Action; and one individual. Your  
Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from  
the Hawaii Rifle Association, National Rifle Association Hawaii,  
Green Screen Hawaii, ASSE, Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance, Hawaii  
Hunting Association, Maui Ammo and Gun Supply, Institute for  
Rational and Evidence-Based Legislation, and ninety-two  
individuals.

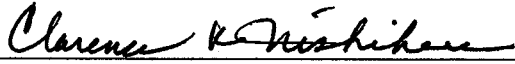
Your Committee finds that restricting certain uses of  
firearms and firearms accessories is necessary to ensure public  
safety. Devices, such as bump stocks, that are designed to  
accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic firearm allow a  
semiautomatic firearm to behave similarly to an illegal automatic  
firearm. Moreover, as witnessed in the mass shooting that



occurred in Las Vegas in 2017, devices such as a bump stock can cause tremendous devastation in an extraordinarily short amount of time. Therefore, this measure prohibits bump stocks and other similar trigger modification devices that are designed or function to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic firearm.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2046 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental, and Military  
Affairs,

  
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CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



