

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

775

Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 04 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 31

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 31 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to raise the maximum age of minors for which safe storage of firearms is required from sixteen to eighteen years.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Valley Isle Sport Shooters and six individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the National Rifle Association, Hawaii Firearms Coalition, Pu'uloa Rifle and Pistol Club, Hawaii Rifle Association, and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Public Safety and one individual.

Your Committee finds that an estimated 4,600,000 children and adolescents in the United States live in homes with at least one unsecured firearm and that the presence of unsecured firearms in the home increases the risk of unintentional and intentional shootings. Furthermore, the United States Secret Service and the United States Department of Education report that in sixty-eight percent of deadly school shootings, the attacker obtained the firearm from the attacker's home or that of a relative. In addition, over seventy-five percent of firearms used in suicide

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attempts and unintentional firearm injuries among children and adolescents were stored in the residence of the victim, a relative, or a friend.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 31 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 31	Committee Referral: JHA	Date: 2-9-21		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	✓			
2. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (VC)	✓			
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.		✓		
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	✓			
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.		✓		
8. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
10. TODD, Chris				✓
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane			✓	
12. WARD, Gene			✓	
TOTAL (12)	7	2	2	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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