

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

374

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2021

RE: S.B. No. 417
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 417 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
HONOLULU, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
moneys as a grant-in-aid to the Department of the Prosecuting
Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu for the Victim-Witness
Assistance Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and
County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that the Victim-Witness Assistance
Program provides direct support services to the victims and
witnesses of crimes committed in Hawaii. Your Committee further
finds that the Honolulu Victim-Witness Kokua Services has
developed into one of the finest services of its kind in the
country, helping over four thousand crime victims. Victims are
usually the key witnesses in a case and without their testimony,
criminals often could not be held responsible for their actions
and would remain free to hurt others in the community. Your



Committee believes that increased funding is necessary to maximize the effectiveness of this important program.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2021.

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. 417, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 417, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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


Clarence K Nishihara

CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 417	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: Feb. 16, 2021		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	/			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	5	—	—	—
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes