

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1257

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2023

RE: H.B. No. 68
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 68, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish a centralized statewide criminal pretrial justice data reporting and collection system pursuant to state law.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary, Department of the Attorney General, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission, Women's Prison Project, Opportunity Youth Action Hawai'i, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that criminal justice research is critical to address the questions and pressing needs of policymakers, decision-makers, and the community on criminal justice matters. This is particularly an issue when seeking research on dynamic populations and trends such as those related to jails and pretrial procedures. The research that is needed to allow these stakeholders to make timely and informed data-driven decisions about Hawai'i's criminal justice system is not possible without a pretrial database and reporting system. This measure



will establish a centralized statewide criminal pretrial justice data reporting and collection system that will allow for better decision-making and planning.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Stipulating that ongoing staff support for the centralized statewide criminal pretrial justice data reporting and collection system be conducted by the Criminal Justice Research Institute's staff and not be contracted to another entity;
- (2) Requiring the Criminal Justice Research Institute to protect any information and data that may be shared;
- (3) Requiring the Criminal Justice Research Institute to submit a semi-annual report regarding the creation of the centralized statewide criminal pretrial justice data reporting and collection system to the Legislature for two years;
- (4) Amending section 1 to reflect its amended purpose; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

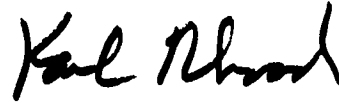
Your Committee notes that the Senate Draft 1 of this measure contains an unspecified appropriation amount. Should your Committee on Ways and Means choose to deliberate on this measure, your Committee respectfully requests that it considers inserting an appropriation amount of \$1,372,864 for fiscal year 2023-2024 and \$1,030,868 for fiscal year 2024-2025.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 68, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second



Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 68, H.D. 1,
S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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




KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary
JDC**

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 68 HD1	Committee Referral: JDC, NAM	Date: 3/14/23		
<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
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)				✓
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>				
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