Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 1995 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1995 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A MINOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect children by expanding the crimes of endangering the welfare of a minor in the first degree and second degree to include situations in which an individual causes or permits a minor to:

- (1) Endure unjustifiable physical pain or mental suffering; or
- (2) Be injured or be placed in a dangerous situation.

The Department of Public Safety testified in support of this bill. The Office of the Public Defender opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

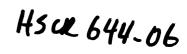
- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2096, to promote further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency and clarity.

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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. 1995, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1995, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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





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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:			
HB1995	2/21/06			
Committee Referral: JUD	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold	☐ Recommit			
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	•			
2. OSHIRO, Blake K. (VC)	/			
3. CALDWELL, Kirk	,			
4. KANOHO, Ezra R.				/
5. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki	1			
6. MORITA, Hermina M.				/
7. SONSON, Alex M.	3 ,			
8. SOUKI, Joseph M.		/		
9. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
10. THIELEN, Cynthia			at Marking to State and Company of the Company of t	The British Berger State of a Section of The American Berger
TOTAL	6	2		2
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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