

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2244
S.D. 1
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 S.B. No. 2244, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Department of the Attorney General (AG) to delete digitized images of fingerprints for individuals whose records are being expunged. This bill updates language for provisions relating to expungement, to reflect the technological advances implemented in electronic storage of data.

The Department of Human Services supported this bill. The AG and a concerned individual opposed this measure. The Office of the Public Defender offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

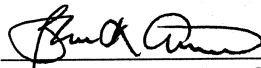
- (1) Restoring the provision that prohibits the deletion or return of fingerprint records if the person has a record of conviction;
- (2) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2006, to encourage further discussion; and



- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and style.

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 S.B. No. 2244, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2244, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


for SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



