

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2079
S.D. 2

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2079, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to create a motor vehicle violation that prohibits leaving a child unsupervised in a motor vehicle, and to require the examiner of drivers to test driver's license applicants for their knowledge of this violation.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Human Services, the City and County of Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney, Hawaii Family Forum, and the Hawaii Catholic Conference.

Your Committee finds that given the recent number of incidents where parents left their children unattended in a vehicle and the vehicle was stolen, this measure is necessary to underscore the hazard of, and deter parents and other responsible adults from, leaving young children alone in vehicles.

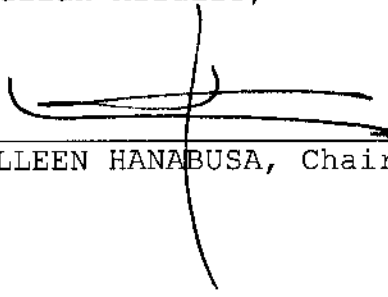
Your Committee amended this measure to make technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2079, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and



recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2079, S.D. 2.

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



COLLEEN HANABUSA, Chair



