

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1721
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1721, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLENCE AGAINST EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a criminal
offense of:

- (1) Assault in the second degree if the person intentionally and knowingly causes bodily injury to any emergency medical services personnel who is engaged in the performance of duty; and
- (2) Terroristic threatening in the first degree if the person commits terroristic threatening against any emergency medical services personnel.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the bill from the Attorney General's Office, the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and thirteen individuals.

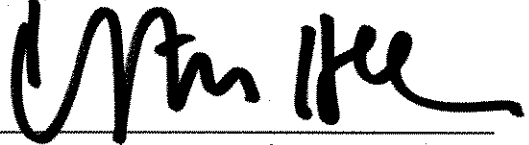
Your Committee finds that because of the volatile situations to which they respond, emergency services personnel need to be protected from the violence against them.



Your Committee amended the bill by making technical non-substantive changes and by conforming the two statutory provisions on crimes against emergency medical services personnel while they are performing their jobs.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1721, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1721, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

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




CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1721, HD 1, SD 1	HTH, JDL	3/30/07		
<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
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)				✓
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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