

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 228
S.D. 1

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
S.B. No. 228 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GRAFFITI,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require minors who commit graffiti to remove their graffiti from the affected property and to perform community service to remove graffiti from other properties. The measure originally proposed a new penalty for property damage that involves graffiti by requiring the defendant to remove their graffiti from the affected property and to perform community service to remove graffiti from other properties.

Testimony in support of this measure was received from Department of Transportation, McCully - Moiliili Neighborhood Board #8 and a private citizen. Opposing testimony was received from the Office of the Public Defender.

Your Committee amended the bill by deleting section 1 because similar requirements are included in S.B. 676, S.D. 1 by amending section 708-823.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The bill was further amended by requiring (1) the minor, parents or legal guardians to pay for the cost of paint and materials and (2) the minor to perform a minimum of eighty hours of community service to remove graffiti from other properties.

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 S.B. No. 228, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 228, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



