

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 23, 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2245  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 2  
C.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2245, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNATTENDED CHILDREN IN MOTOR VEHICLES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to make it a traffic code violation for an operator or adult passenger of a motor vehicle to leave the vehicle with an unattended child inside for five minutes or more. This provision is effective upon approval.

This measure also:

(1) Requires that, effective October 1, 2008:

(A) Knowledge of the above violation be tested on the State drivers license examination; and



- (B) Rental car companies provide notice of the prohibition to all renters; and
- (2) Authorizes law enforcement officers, fire fighters, and rescue team personnel to use reasonably necessary means to protect and remove an unattended child from a motor vehicle upon determining that the child is in physical danger or poses a danger to others.


Your Committee has amended this measure by adopting the language of S.B. No. 2245, Senate Draft 1, which makes the measure effective upon approval, staggers implementation of the examination and signage requirements to October 1, 2008, and contains nonsubstantive changes in the use of terms.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2245, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2245, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf  
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

  
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