

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

371

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 18, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 620
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 620 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SENTENCING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure public safety by authorizing the court, at time of sentencing, to require a person with three or more convictions of sexual assault in the first degree to wear a global positioning system transmitter for up to 10 years after the person's release from prison. This bill also classifies as a class C felony the removal or disabling of the transmitter.

The Department of Public Safety testified in opposition to this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Replacing the term "global positioning system transmitter" with "electronic monitoring device";
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2046, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, 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 H.B. No. 620, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 620, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



