

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 614

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 614 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to grant family leave to an employee to provide family care and support during the military deployment of the employee's child, spouse, reciprocal beneficiary, or parent.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two state agencies and one private organization. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that providing an employee with family leave during the military deployment of the employee's child, spouse, reciprocal beneficiary, or parent will enable the employee to care and support their family in a satisfactory manner. Your Committee also finds that this measure will help to alleviate many of the stresses that some employees face on a daily basis when their child, spouse, reciprocal beneficiary, or parent is deployed.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 614 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety and  
Military Affairs,



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WILL ESPERO, Chair



