

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 219

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Feb 13, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 232

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 232 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

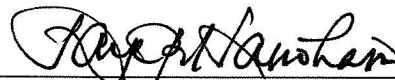
The purpose of this bill is to provide accountability and transparency with regard to Hawaii prisoners by requiring privately owned prisons and out-of-state detention facilities to comply with state freedom of information laws.

The Drug Policy Forum, American Civil Liberties Union, Community Alliance on Prisons, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Office of Information Practices supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Public Safety testified in opposition to this bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 232 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,



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FAYE HANOHANO, Chair



