

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 202

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 779

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. 779 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM FOREIGN-COUNTRY MONEY JUDGMENTS RECOGNITION ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enact the Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act (UFCMJRA), and repeal the Uniform Foreign Money-Judgments Recognition Act, Chapter 658C, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The UFCMJRA updates the law by, among other things:

- (1) Allocating the burden of proof with respect to the applicability of the UFCMJRA to the party seeking recognition of a foreign-country judgment;
- (2) Establishing procedures for obtaining recognition of foreign country money judgments;
- (3) Expanding the grounds for denying such recognition but allocating the burden of proof to the party against such recognition; and
- (4) Establishing a statute of limitations.

The Hawaii Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation testified in support of this measure.

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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. 779 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



