

Honolulu, Hawaii

April , 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2534  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2534, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BAIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to:

- (1) Require payment of a bond to a law enforcement agency to be accompanied by a bond filing fee, payable in cash; and
- (2) Require law enforcement agencies to accept cash, surety bonds, and own recognizance bonds when the courts are closed, to allow the prompt discharge of a prisoner from custody or imprisonment.

The Professional Bail Agents of Hawaii and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Public Safety opposed this measure. The Judiciary and Representative from the Fourth District offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2534, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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

  
MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



