

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 19, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 950  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 950, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC GUNS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve the safety of the State's law enforcement officers including the conservation and resources enforcement officers of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), by allowing their use of electric guns.

The Department of Public Safety (PSD); Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME, Local 152, AFL-CIO; The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii; and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. DLNR supported this measure with amendments. The American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii opposed this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Specifying that the nationally-recognized law enforcement accreditation or credentialing program from which law enforcement accreditation or recognition is required prior to purchasing the electric guns, is to be the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA);



- (2) Deleting language requiring DLNR and PSD to conduct training concurrently for cost-savings purposes; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

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 S.B. No. 950, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 950, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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

  
JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



