

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2003
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2003 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COURT FEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Increase the fees for service of civil process;
- (2) Authorize private process servers who are duly qualified
by law to serve as duly qualified process servers; and
- (3) Repeal the provision that prohibits the sheriff or
police chief from retaining a percentage of service of
process fees or expenses collected by the process
server.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from one private individual. The Department of Public Safety
submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that the discontinuation of the Civil
Section of the Sheriff Division created a need for private civil
process servers. This measure increases the fees for service of
civil process and authorizes private process servers to collect
these fees. However, your Committee notes that the Department of
Public Safety does not have legal authority and control over



private process servers, nor does the department train or supervise these process servers.

As such, your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to ensure further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2003, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2003, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



