

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 2, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2221
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2221, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide greater protection for children by addressing instances of possession of particularly violent or egregious child pornography. Specifically, this measure amends the offense of promoting child abuse in the second degree to include possession of thirty or more images of child pornography where the content of at least one image contains a minor younger than the age of twelve, sadomasochistic abuse of a minor, or bestiality involving a minor.

The Department of the Attorney General, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Maui, and three individuals supported this measure. An individual supported this measure with comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to January 7, 2059, to facilitate further discussion.



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. 2221, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2221, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



