

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2394
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 Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2394, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect members of the armed forces from abusive lending practices by authorizing the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to enforce certain federal laws to protect military members and their families from these practices.

The Office of Consumer Protection of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and Legislative Committee of the Oahu Veterans Council testified in support of this bill. The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Military Community & Family Policy DoD-State Liaison Office provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2394, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2394, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety &
Military Affairs,



HENRY J. C. AQUINO, Chair



