

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2080
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2080 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THEFT OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand the offense of theft in the second degree to include the theft of personal electronic devices that may be used to store or retrieve personal information.

The Office of the Public Defender testified in opposition to this bill. The Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu provided comments on this bill.

Your Committee has amended this measure by using the broader term "computer" as defined under section 708-890, Hawaii Revised Statutes, rather than listing the electronic devices covered by the offense.

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 H.B. No. 2080, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2080, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

Karl Rhoads

KARL RHOADS, Chair



