

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 21, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2386
S.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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 2386, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SALES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR STOLEN PROPERTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit advertising the sale of property known to be stolen.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Establishes the offense of advertising, by any method, the sale of property known to be stolen; and
- (2) Makes conforming amendments to section 708-834, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to defenses to prosecution for theft.

The Office of Consumer Protection of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and four individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that the advertisement of property known to be stolen, via the internet and other methods, is a harmful and persistent practice that should be prohibited to deter theft and protect property owners. Accordingly, your Committee believes



that this measure will reduce the occurrence of stolen property being advertised for sale.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2386, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



