Honolulu, Hawaii

April 1

2014

RE: S.B. No. 2420

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 Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2420, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS FOR STATE AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote public safety and information security by:

- (1) Authorizing the counties to conduct criminal history record checks on prospective employees who work with children in community-based programs;
- (2) Updating references to adults or citizens who are dependent or disabled in the criminal history record check authorization statute to "vulnerable" adults or citizens;
- (3) Authorizing the State and counties to conduct criminal history record checks on employees, prospective employees, volunteers, and contractors whose positions require unescorted access to secured areas and equipment related to a traffic management center;
- (4) Authorizing the State and counties to conduct criminal history record checks on employees and prospective employees for positions involving the handling of

firearms for other than law enforcement purposes, and exempting the State and county from restrictions that:

- (A) Allow these conviction record inquiries only after a prospective employee has received a conditional job offer; and
- (B) Limit these inquiries to the most recent ten-year period; and
- (5) Authorizing the State and counties to conduct criminal history record checks on current and prospective analysts and others involved in an agency's information technology operation whose position provides them with access to proprietary, sensitive, or confidential information.

The Department of Human Resources Development; Department of Transportation; City and County of Honolulu, Department of Human Resources; Honolulu Emergency Services Department; and Honolulu Police Department testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii Civil Rights Commission provided comments.

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. 2420, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

## HSCR 1376-14

## Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

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☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)	χ.			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	× ×			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				X
4. BROWER, Tom	_ X			
5. CREAGAN, Richard	X	-		
6. ITO, Ken				χ,
7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X		•	
8. LEE, Chris	X			
9. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
10. TSUJI, Clift	X			
11. WOOLEY, Jessica	X			
12. MCDERMOTT, Bob	$\boldsymbol{\chi}$			
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	×			
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TOTAL (13)	11			2
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted				
H joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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