

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2452
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 Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2452
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURY DUTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to meet the health needs of
mothers and babies in the State by exempting breastfeeding mothers
from jury duty for a period of not more than one year from the
time the mother begins breastfeeding the child until the mother is
no longer breastfeeding the child.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women; American
Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Hawaii Section;
Hawaii Women's Coalition; Hawaii Association of Professional
Nurses; League of Women Voters Hawaii; Planned Parenthood of
Hawaii; Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgender Caucus of the
Democratic Party of Hawaii; Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies
Coalition of Hawaii; Breastfeeding Hawaii; and an individual
supported this measure. The Judiciary and an individual commented
on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the exemption from jury duty for breastfeeding
mothers to a period of one year from the birth of a
child; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2452, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2452, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



