

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2139

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 10 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2507
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2507 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SENTENCING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to afford greater protection to persons sixty years of age or older who are victims of crime by establishing mandatory minimum prison terms for certain offenses committed against persons sixty years of age or older.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of Honolulu. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Community Alliance on Prisons.

Your Committee finds that it is important to protect Hawaii's aging population from becoming targets of financial crimes such as theft, identity theft, and robbery. Existing law holds criminals accountable for causing serious or substantial bodily injury to persons sixty years of age or older, but does not provide enhanced consequences for offenders who prey financially on or commit other types of offenses against individuals whom the defendant knows or reasonably should know are sixty years of age or older.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2507, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2507, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,

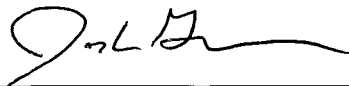


SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2507	Committee Referral: HMS, JDL	Date: 2/4/14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
GREEN, Josh (VC)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				✓
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes