

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2706

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2916
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2916 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to include
misdemeanor offenses under chapter 134, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
relating to firearms, ammunition, and dangerous weapons, to the
offenses that disqualify retaken and reimprisoned parolees from
provisions regarding reincarceration and credit for time served.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Public Safety and Hawaii Paroling
Authority.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, certain parole
violators will be limited to a six-month revocation period of
incarceration. Some parolees are excluded from this provision,
including those charged with new felonies and certain
misdemeanors. The currently identified misdemeanors do not
include firearms and dangerous weapons offenses, which are
considered serious violations of parole. Your Committee further
finds that it is in the public interest to include firearms and
weapons offenses in the list of misdemeanors that disqualify
parolees from the maximum six-month parole revocation period.



Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2916, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2916, S.D. 1.

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



GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



