

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 40

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.R. No. 40 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING REFORM IN THE MILITARY
INVESTIGATORY AND PROSECUTORIAL SYSTEMS GOVERNING CHILD
SEXUAL ABUSE AND INCREASED TRANSPARENCY IN THE MILITARY
JUSTICE SYSTEM AND MILITARY REPORTING OF CRIMINAL SEX
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Encourage members of the United States Congress to reform the military reporting, investigatory, and prosecutorial systems governing child sexual abuse and continue their efforts to require the military to adopt sweeping systemic reform; and
- (2) Encourage the Pentagon to apply the same openness standards with military reporting of criminal sex offenses involving children as the standards used in civilian courts and provide court documents that are open to the public electronically.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that child sexual abuse has a devastating effect on its victims. This crime can remain hidden for years, resulting in the victims remaining vulnerable and



unable to receive the help and justice that they require and deserve. Your Committee further finds that the existing reporting, investigatory, and prosecutorial systems regarding child sexual assault are insufficient and should be reformed immediately.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 40 and recommends its adoption.

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


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
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Record of Votes
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 40 | Committee Referral: PSM, JDL | Date: 4/4/16 | | |
| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 | | | | |
| Members | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C) | / | | | |
| SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC) | / | | | |
| GABBARD, Mike | | | | / |
| KAHELE, Kaiali'i | | | | / |
| KIM, Donna Mercado | / | | | |
| THIELEN, Laura H. | / | | | |
| SLOM, Sam | | | | / |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: | | | | |
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