

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **60**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**February 7**, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 679  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 679 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the State and the counties to provide domestic abuse intervention training to their personnel whose job duties require or may require intervention in domestic abuse situations.

The County of Hawaii Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Kauai Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of Honolulu Police Department, Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Parents and Children Together, Hawaii Women's Coalition, Domestic Violence Action Center, and an individual testified in support of this measure. The City and County of Honolulu Department of the Prosecuting Attorney opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Reducing the minimum number of hours of domestic abuse intervention training that state and county agencies must provide, from fifteen hours to eight hours; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2075, to encourage further discussion.

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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 H.B. No. 679, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 679, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



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DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



