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SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR
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March 28, 2017

LATE TESTIMONY

RE: S.C.R. 163; REQUESTING THE JUDICIARY, IN COOPERATION WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF EACH COUNTY AND PROSECUTOR OF EACH COUNTY, TO ANNUALLY COMPILE AND REPORT ON STATISTICS REGARDING ARRESTS, CHARGES, AND CONVICTIONS OR OTHER DISPOSITIONS BASED ON THE OFFENSE OF ABUSE OF A FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER. (Proposed SD1).

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair Rhoads, and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu ("Department") submits the following testimony in opposition to S.C.R. 163, Proposed S.D. 1.

The purpose of Senate Bill 316 is to require the Judiciary to prepare statistical data regarding the offense of Abuse of a Family or Household Member, based on information provided by the prosecutor of each county.

While the Department continues to be committed to the effective, efficient and just prosecution of this and all domestic violence offenses, our Department runs on a very tight budget, and the mandate proposed in this resolution would likely detract time and energy away from the very cases that it is seeking to support, or other essential functions of the Department. If additional funding is provided for the staffing to carry out this measure, we would be more than willing to comply.

For the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu opposes the passage of S.C.R. 163, Proposed S.D. 1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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| Marilyn Yamamoto | National Family Advocacy Team | Support | No |

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| Circe Carr | Individual | Support | No |

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| Dr. Guy Yatsushiro | Individual | Support | No |

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| Kalen Holbrook | Individual | Support | No |

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| natalie speedracer | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: we need this to finally prove how prevalent domestic violence is in our communities here in hawaii. as it is now, top judge believes that statistics show otherwise and that he does not need to "fix what aint broke". Im a DV survivor and I can tell you ITS BROKEN. People, innocent women and children are dying as a result, many keiki stuck in foster care for no reason, DV allowed to continue under court orders... It is a disaster. We need to be able to show what is really happening. This is a step in the right direction. Please allow.

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