

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1908
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1908 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit multiburst trigger activators that, when attached to a semiautomatic firearm, cause the firearm to discharge two or more shots in a burst or accelerate the rate of fire of the firearm.

The County of Hawaii Mayor, County of Maui Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, and Honolulu Police Department testified in support of this measure. The National Rifle Association of America, Hawaii Rifle Association, United Truck Rental, Lessons in Firearms Education, Hawaii Hunting Association, Honolulu County Republican Party, Institute for Rational and Evidence-based Legislation, and numerous individuals testified in opposition.

Your Committee has amended this measure by narrowly defining "multiburst trigger activator" to include bump stocks and binary or echo trigger groups without inadvertently targeting simple trigger modifications that improve the performance or safety of firearms.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1908, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1908, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



