

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 5, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2675

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 2675 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require each local television station to make emergency information that is provided in the audio portion of its video programming accessible to persons with hearing disabilities by using a method of closed or open captioning.

The Maui Police Department, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and many concerned individuals supported this measure. The Disability and Communications Access Board offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2675 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,



GREG TAKAYAMA, Chair



