

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1563

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2017

RE: S.B. No. 420
S.D. 1
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 Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 420, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LASER DEVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make it a criminal offense to intentionally or knowingly direct a beam of light from a laser or laser scope that produces over five milliwatts of energy at an occupied aircraft, provided that this does not apply to activities conducted for the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, or police officers acting in their official capacity for research governed by certain accepted standards.

The Department of Transportation and Honolulu Police Department testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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 S.B. No. 420, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 420, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair



