

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

521

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 720

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military  
Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 720 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to strengthen the system of  
firearms reporting in the State by:

- (1) Requiring firearm owners to report lost, stolen, or  
destroyed firearms; and
- (2) Requiring licensed sellers and manufacturers of firearms  
to report any attempts to unlawfully purchase firearms  
as a condition of the license to sell and manufacture  
firearms.

A few concerned individuals supported this measure. The  
Hawaii Firearms Coalition, National Rifle Association of America,  
Institute for Rational and Evidence-based Legislation, Hawaii  
Rifle Association, Lessons in Firearms Education, and many  
concerned individuals opposed this measure. The Honolulu Police  
Department offered comments.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Increasing the time allowed from five to seven days for the surrender of firearms upon a third offense for failure to report the loss, theft, or destruction of any firearm;
- (2) Deleting the provision requiring licensed sellers and manufacturers of firearms to report any attempts to unlawfully purchase firearms as a condition of the license to sell and manufacture firearms; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 720, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 720, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,  
Veterans, & Military Affairs,

  
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GREG YAMAYAMA, Chair



