

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1445

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2019

RE: H.B. No. 950
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 950, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SAFETY ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Attorney General to issue credentials to allow qualified law enforcement officers to carry concealed firearms in the State, as is permitted by the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety, Department of the Attorney General, and six individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Firearms Coalition, Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee, and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that under the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act certification program, retired officers may be certified to carry concealed firearms only if they pass standardized firearms qualification testing, a medical exam every two years, and a mental health clearance every year. Your Committee further finds that this measure would give the Department of the Attorney General the statutory authority and ability to adopt rules to ensure qualified law enforcement



officers are properly certified to carry concealed firearms, and clarify that the Department of the Attorney General is the agency responsible for issuing credentials pursuant to the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 950, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental, and Military
Affairs,


Clarence K. Nishihara

CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 950, HD 1	PSM, JDC	3/9/19		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes