STAND. COM. REP. NO. 345

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 4 2019

RE: S.B. No. 92

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 S.B. No. 92 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLICE REPORTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow surviving immediate family members of murder or manslaughter victims to access a copy of the closing report prepared by the investigating police department, upon conclusion of all criminal and civil proceedings that arise from the offense.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that the surviving immediate family members of murder or manslaughter victims often experience profound grief, sense of loss, and guilt. Your Committee further finds that establishing closure can help these surviving family members to process their loss and begin the healing process. This measure will help those family members gain that closure by allowing them to access a copy of the closing report upon the conclusion of criminal and civil proceedings.

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 S.B. No. 92 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, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
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WAKAI, Glenn (VC)		V/			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		V//	/		
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