

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 218  
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 Human Services & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 218 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to grant a circuit court, when sentencing a minor for a criminal offense, the discretion to:

- (1) Impose a sentence that includes a period of incarceration that is as much as fifty percent shorter than any mandatory minimum; and
- (2) In certain cases, decline to impose a mandatory enhanced sentence.

Office of the Public Defender, Hawaii Youth Services Network, and Community Alliance on Prisons supported this measure. The Honolulu Police Department opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to January 1, 2059, to encourage further discussion on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Homelessness that is attached to

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this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 218, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 218, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services &  
Homelessness,



JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



