

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2020

RE: H.B. No. 2291
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2291, 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 of this measure is to establish within the Department of the Attorney General a program responsible for issuing firearm qualification certifications to qualified law enforcement officers pursuant to the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-277), codified at title 18 United States Code section 926C.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that under the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act certification program, retired officers may be certified only if they each pass standardized firearms qualification testing, medical exams every two years, and a mental health clearance every year. This measure will authorize the Department of the Attorney General to issue firearms qualification certifications to qualified retired law enforcement officers and to adopt rules, exempt from the public hearing and notice



requirements of Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for that purpose.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

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 H.B. No. 2291, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2291, H.D. 2.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



