

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3156

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2136

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2136 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require any residential real property, upon the sale or transfer of the property, to be equipped by the seller with smoke alarms that conform with all applicable State and county building or residential codes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Fire Council, Honolulu Fire Department, Maui Fire Department, and Kaua'i Fire Department.

Your Committee finds that properly installed and maintained smoke alarms provide an early warning when there is a fire, thereby reducing fire deaths and injuries by allowing those present to escape. This measure requires that all homes be equipped with smoke alarms upon sale or transfer.

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 S.B. No. 2136 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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

Karl Rhoads

KARL RHOADS, Chair



