

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1032

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2021

RE: H.B. No. 508
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 508, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase the fines associated with the illegal use of consumer fireworks and display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, and aerial devices outside of the times permitted by law.

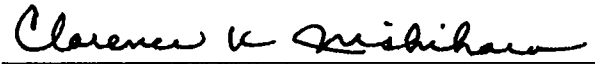
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, State Fire Council, Hawaiian Humane Society, and four individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that, despite the potential for fines and arrest for the illegal use of fireworks, individuals continue to break the law concerning the lawful use of fireworks. Your Committee further finds that eighty per cent of fines collected by courts for violations of the Fireworks Control Law is required to be allocated to the counties for purposes of law enforcement, while twenty percent is allocated to the State. By increasing these fines, the police departments may have greater incentive to enforce those laws.



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. 508, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.


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


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>HB508, HD1</i>	Committee Referral: <i>PSM, JDC/WAM</i>	Date: <i>3/16/2021</i>		
<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)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	/			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil				/
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>
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