

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2393
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2393, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CANADIAN DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDERS ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to enact the Uniform Recognition and Enforcement of Canadian Domestic-Violence Protection Orders Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that Canada is the second largest international market for Hawai'i and Canadian visitors spend long periods of time in Hawai'i during the winter months, with many owning real estate throughout the islands. Despite this, Canadians with active domestic violence protective orders currently lack sufficient protection while visiting Hawai'i. Your Committee further finds that the Uniform Recognition and Enforcement of Canadian Domestic-Violence Protection Orders Act was developed by the Uniform Law Commission with input from judges and practicing lawyers from both the United States and Canada. To date, the Uniform Recognition and Enforcement of Canadian Domestic-Violence Protection Orders Act has been enacted in

California, Delaware, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, Washington, and Wisconsin. This measure will protect Canadian travelers who have domestic violence protection orders while they are visiting Hawai'i by allowing Hawai'i courts and law enforcement agencies to enforce domestic violence protection orders issued by Canadian courts.

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. 2393, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



