

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 08, 2022

RE: S.B. No. 3211

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 3211 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY IN RURAL
DISTRICTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
funds to the County of Hawaii for the plans, design, and
construction of a police substation to serve the Hawaii Ocean View
Estates community.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Aloha Animal Advocates, Ocean View Community Association, and
ten individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that Hawaiian Ocean View Estates,
Hawaii, is one of the fastest-growing subdivisions in the United
States. The steep growth in population has corresponded with a
rise in crime, with many residents reporting concerns of illegal
dumping, abandoned vehicles, property crime, and feral dog
attacks. The Hawaii Police Department currently operates out of a
police office in the Hawaiian Ocean View Estates subdivision.
However, the Hawaii Police Department cannot process or book
arrestees at the existing office, and the closest Hawaii Police
Department substation capable of booking and processing is located
over fourteen miles away in Naalehu. After an arrestee is



detained and booked, they are then transported to the Hilo or Kona police stations for holding. The sheer distance between Hawaii Police Department facilities on Hawaii island has resulted in lengthy response times for Hawaii Police Department service in Hawaiian Ocean View Estates. Your Committee believes that the Hawaii Police Department's presence in Hawaiian Ocean View Estates must be expanded to appropriately respond to reports of crime in the area. This measure will assist the State in reducing crime and protecting the residents of Hawaiian Ocean View Estates by appropriating funds to the County of Hawaii for the plans, design, and construction of a police substation to serve the Hawaiian Ocean View Estates community.

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 S.B. No. 3211 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on 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.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 3211	PSM, WAM	2/3/2022		
<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 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
DECOITE, Lynn (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.				✓
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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