

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3161

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 20 2024**

RE: H.B. No. 2353  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2353, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA SHARING GROUPS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the Criminal Justice Data Sharing and Research Group to consolidate the efforts of the Criminal Justice Data Sharing Working Group and the Gun Violence and Violent Crimes Commission.

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

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Public First Law Center and League of Women Voters of Hawaii.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Office of Information Practices and one individual.

Your Committee finds that there are several working groups and commissions that focus on gun violence, violent crime, and



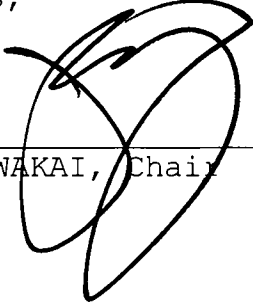
criminal data sharing, including the Governor's Commission on Crime, Criminal Justice Data Sharing Working Group, and Gun Violence and Violent Crimes Commission. Your Committee further finds that the abundance of working groups dedicated to firearms creates a burden on public servants who attend overlapping and often redundant meetings. This measure will increase efficiency and effectiveness by merging the Criminal Justice Data Sharing Working Group and the Gun Violence and Violent Crimes Commission to consolidate their efforts.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language that would have exempted the Criminal Justice Data Sharing and Research Group from the Sunshine Law;
- (2) Adding language to allow the Criminal Justice Data Sharing and Research Group to assemble a special closed session for the protection of individually identifiable criminal justice data;
- (3) Making it effective upon its approval; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2353, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2353, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



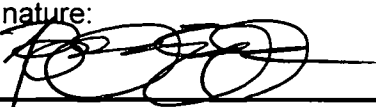
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GLENN WAKAI, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 2359 HD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PSM, JPC</b>	Date: <b>3/15/24</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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