

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1213

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1213 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COURT INTERPRETERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to recognize the key role that court interpreters play in the judicial process by exempting them from prosecution for expired meter parking violations when their presence is requested by the court.

The Judiciary and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill.

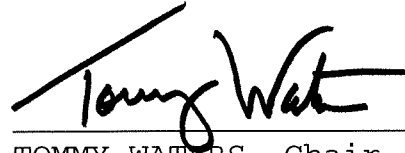
Currently, witnesses who are summoned or subpoenaed to appear in court are exempt from prosecution for expired parking meter violations. However, because court interpreters are not officially summoned or subpoenaed to appear in court, they do not qualify for the exemption even though they are asked to appear. This bill provides court interpreters with the same exemption.

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 H.B. No. 1213 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

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TOMMY WATERS, Chair



