

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 17, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2213
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2213 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSESSMENTS FOR UNINSURED STUDENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve student access to substance abuse services by establishing and funding an "assessment bank" to cover the cost of substance abuse assessments for uninsured students found violating the Department of Education's (DOE) zero tolerance policy relating to alcohol and drugs.

DOE, Drug Policy Action Group, Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii, Hina Mauka, Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Health offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2213, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2213, H.D. 1.



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


for SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



