

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2595
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2595 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY VISITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen the relationship between inmates and family members by restricting the Department of Public Safety from canceling pre-approved and pre-scheduled family visits with inmates.

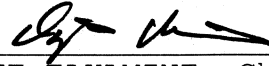
The Community Alliance on Prisons, Blueprint for Change, A Woman's Voice International, and some concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Public Safety opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2595, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2595, H.D. 1.



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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



