

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 7, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2162
S.D. 2
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 S.B. No. 2162, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOSTER CHILDREN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help foster children successfully transition out of foster care and into independent living by:

- (1) Allowing the Director of Human Services to sign a foster child's application for an instruction permit, provisional license, or driver's license;
- (2) Specifying the persons and programs responsible for paying the motor vehicle insurance of a foster child;
- (3) Allowing higher education board allowances to be paid directly to a former foster child; and
- (4) Removing the requirement that a foster child's medical records be disclosed by the department to the child's foster parents.

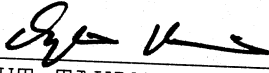


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The Hawaii Youth Services Network, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Keiki O Ka Aina, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services supported the intent of this measure. Hawaii Insurers Council submitted comments.

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 S.B. No. 2162, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-third Legislature

HSCR 1637-06

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2162, SD2, HD1	Date: <div style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">4.6.06</div>			
Committee Referral: HUS, CPC, FIN	<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (C)	✓			
2. KAWAKAMI, Bertha C. (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
4. CHONG, Pono	✓			
5. EVANS, Cindy		✓		
6. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
7. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
8. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
10. TANAKA, Kameo	✓			
11. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
12. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MEYER, Colleen Rose		✓		
16. MOSES, Mark S.	✓			
17. PINE, Kymberly				✓
18. STEVENS, Anne V.		✓		
TOTAL	14	3		1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24pt; font-family: cursive;">Bertha C. Kawakami</div>				
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