

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2189  
S.D. 1  
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 Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2189, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to promote the role of fathers in children's lives by appropriating funds for the Commission on Fatherhood (Commission).

The Department of Human Services, the Commission, Hawaii Coalition for Dads, Children's Rights Council, West Hawaii Fatherhood Initiative, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill.

Your Committee finds that the Commission is a key organization responsible for developing policy recommendations, increasing community responsibility and awareness regarding the relationship between fathers and children, providing continued educational resources for fathering, and countless other important functions. This bill will help to ensure the continued operation of the Commission.



Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2022, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2189, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2189, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services,



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ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



