

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2474
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. 2474, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POST-FOSTER CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to provide support and assistance to former foster children between the ages of 18 and 24 by appropriating funds to assist them in the areas of job placement, skills training, education, and housing.

The Hawaii Youth Services Network and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Office of Youth Services supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee recognizes that former foster children experience unique difficulties and that the assistance to be provided in this bill will minimize emotional trauma, increase their overall transition, and help ensure success.

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. 2474, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2474, 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,



ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



