

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2229

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb. 16, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3007  
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 3007 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A COMMISSION TO CELEBRATE 2008 AS THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a temporary commission to be known as the Year of the Family Celebration 2008 Commission, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Family Forum, The Ohana Project, and Blueprint for Change.

Your Committee finds that the success of a society depends largely upon the strength and vitality of its families. In all cultures, and in all ages, a strong family unit has been the foundation of great societies. Family is especially important in Hawaii, because of the richly diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds of its people. Therefore, a celebration to honor the importance of the family and to sustain and nurture family life is appropriate.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for clarity.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3007, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3007, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

  
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



