

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 31

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Military Affairs and Human Services, to which was referred S.R. No. 31 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS ON THE BIG ISLAND THAT ENCOURAGE POSITIVE YOUTH OUTCOMES, INCLUDING LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Department of Education assist in the development of community-based youth programs on the Big Island.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Youth Services Network and seventeen individuals. Comments in support of the intent of this measure were received from the Department of Education.

Your Committees find that some school-level programs that have been supported in the past include the Hamakua Coast Drug Free Bashes and the Kalaniana'ole Elementary and Intermediate School Student Body Government Leadership Camp. Your Committees further find that many student testifiers acknowledged that these school and community-based youth programs provided them with opportunities for varied learning experiences, personal development, and community participation, and that they were immensely benefited from them as a result.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Military Affairs and Human Services

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that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 31 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Education and Military Affairs and Human Services,

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