

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1479

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1163
S.D. 2
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1163, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOSTER CHILDREN'S TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assist foster youth in their transition toward independence by requiring foster youth 14 years of age or older who are in permanent custody or foster custody to participate in an age appropriate independent living program to learn basic life skills.

The Department of Human Services, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, and Partners in Care testified in support of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

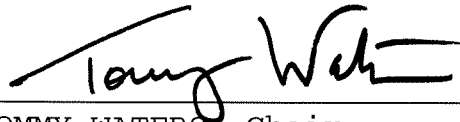
- (1) Requiring that a child's legal custodian also be served notice of all hearings subsequent to a permanent plan hearing; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1163, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1163, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



