

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1111
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 1111
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY PLANNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this Act is to provide an integrated and
comprehensive approach to family planning and contraceptive
services for Hawaii's women, teens, and men by:

- (1) Providing funding for family planning and contraception
services; and
- (2) Providing funding for family planning health education
and outreach services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health (DOH); Hawaii State Commission on
the Status of Women; Planned Parenthood of Hawaii; Hawaii Youth
Services Network; March of Dimes Hawaii Chapter; Hawaii Primary
Care Association; Bay Clinic, Inc.; Kalihi-Palama Health Center;
Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center; Sestak Rehabilitation
Services; Family Support Services of West Hawaii; Healthy Mothers,
Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii; Hawaii State Democratic
Women's Caucus; Planned Parenthood of Hawaii Action Network; and
seven individuals. Testimony in opposition was received from
Pro-Family Hawaii; Hawaii Right to Life; Maui Chapter of Hawaii
Right to Life; Christian Voice of Hawaii; and two individuals.




In 2006, H.C.R. No. 226, H.D. 1, requested the DOH to convene a working group to determine family planning funding needs for legislative consideration. To effectively improve the State's reproductive health services and reduce unintended pregnancies in Hawaii, the working group recommended that clinical services, health education, and outreach services be expanded and upgraded as a system to improve access to these currently fragmented services.

The working group found that Hawaii reduced its state funds for publicly supported family planning services by ninety per cent in the mid nineties and has never reinstated this funding. In addition, Hawaii currently has the twelfth highest teen pregnancy rate in the nation. The working group also recommended that increased public awareness of the health benefits of planned pregnancy, use of contraceptives, child spacing, and clinic locations is crucial to reducing Hawaii's unintended pregnancy rate.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting the specific amount appropriated, but recommends that the original amounts of \$2,443,750, for contraceptive services and \$1,540,000, for family planning health education and outreach services be reinstated by the Committee on Ways and Means. Technical amendments were also made for the purpose of clarity.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1111, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1111, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1111	Committee Referral: HTH, WAM	Date: <i>2/14/07</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron	✓			
WHALEN, Paul	✓			
TOTAL	5			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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