

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

810

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2007

RE: S.B. No. 979
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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 979, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUICIDE PREVENTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to preserve and protect the lives our children and young adults by establishing a youth suicide early intervention and prevention program in Hawaii.

Comments in support of this measure were received from the Hawaii Psychological Association, Hawaii Suicide Prevention, Education, Awareness, Research Foundation, Suicide Prevention Steering Committee and Task Force, and a concerned individual. The Department of Education submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that youth suicide has increased nationally in the last decade and that Hawaii youth have reported the highest rates of suicidal ideation on survey questions pertaining to suicide and depression.

Your Committee also finds that many states have already developed comprehensive statewide strategies that seek to provide effective youth suicide early intervention and prevention services.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.
No. 979, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB979 SD1	HSP/HTH, WAM	2/26/07		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
MENOR, Ron	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
WHALEN, Paul				/
TOTAL	10	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
Distribution:				
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