

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1391

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2007

RE: S.C.R. No. 11

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Human Services and Public Housing and
Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 11 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE
REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY CUSTODY EVALUATOR TRAINING MODELS
APPLIED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Legislative
Reference Bureau to study custody evaluator training models that
are applied in other jurisdictions.

The National Association of Social Workers and two
individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The
Legislative Reference Bureau submitted comments.

During the interim, the Committees on Human Services of the
Senate and the House convened a task force to examine issues
pertaining to the Hawaii Family Court. Due to time constraints,
the task force was unable to fully explore the issue of training
and oversight of custody evaluators in both the Hawaii Family
Court and in other jurisdictions. Task force members are
interested in how other jurisdictions address training and
oversight of custody evaluators. This measure will assist task
force members in determining whether to recommend action to
improve custody evaluation in the Hawaii Family Court.

Your Committees note the suggestions raised by the National
Association of Social Workers that the Legislative Reference
Bureau also review training models, custody evaluator

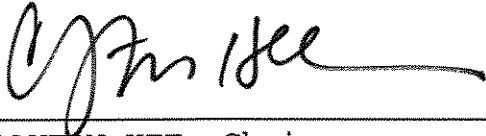
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qualifications, oversight of the process of selecting custody evaluators, as well as the actual process of how custody evaluators are selected.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Public Housing and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 11 and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Human Services
and Public Housing and
Judiciary and Labor,



CLAYTON HEE, Chair




SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing
HSP

Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 11	Committee Referral: HSP/JDL, WAM	Date: 3-27-07		
<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
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.	✓			
SAKAMOTO, Norman				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

