STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1420 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Monh 27, 2008

RE: H.R. No. 71

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2008 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.R. No. 71 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO CONFER PRIORITY STATUS TO CHILDREN BORN TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL AND FOREIGN WOMEN DURING AND UP TO NINE MONTHS AFTER DEPLOYMENT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE AND EXPEDITE THE IMMIGRATION OF THESE CHILDREN AND WOMEN TO THE UNITED STATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the passage of legislation to confer priority status to children born to Department of Defense personnel and foreign women during and up to nine months after deployment in order to facilitate and expedite the immigration of these children and women to the United States.

Your Committee finds that the passage of this federal legislation, by conferring citizenship status to children born to Department of Defense personnel during or up to nine months after deployment in a foreign country would not only facilitate the father's expression of responsibility to the child by shortening the process by which both the child and the mother may enter the United States, but would also help restore the ethical standing of the United States by enabling its overseas military representatives to assume proper responsibility for their actions when they leave a foreign country.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of $H.R.\ No.\ 71$ and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs,

CINDY EVAN

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fourth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 7-1	Committee Referral:	Date	3/20/0	7
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PSM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. EVANS, Cindy (C)				
2 HAD Charan E (VC)				
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)				
3. LEE, Marilyn B.				
4. LUKE, Sylvia				
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				
3. MCKEDVET, Augus E.K.				
6. NAKASONE, Bob				~
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
8. SONSON, Alex M.			The Res	
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.				W
10 TAXAMBE D. LAY				
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.				
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.				
12. FINNEGAN, Lynn				
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				
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TOTAL (13)	1			6
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Mary B. Lee				
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