

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2907

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 07 2008

RE: S.C.R. No. 25
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 25 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONVENING A TASK FORCE ON AGING TO STUDY THE NEED FOR AND FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF AGING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to convene a Task Force on Aging to study the need for and feasibility of establishing a state Department of Aging.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Hawai'i Alliance for Retired Americans and Kokua Council. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by the Executive Office on Aging. Comments on the measure were submitted by the Occupational Therapy Association of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the population of Hawaii is aging at 2.5 times the national rate and that a statewide cabinet-level Department of Aging may be necessary to coordinate services and resources for the multi-faceted needs of the increasing number of older adults in the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Incorporating comments made by the Executive Office on Aging by extending the time frame allotted in which that office is to submit the required report to the



Legislature from twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2009 to twenty days prior to the adjournment of the Regular Session of 2009; and

- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 25, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 25, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services and
Public Housing,

Suzanne Chun Oakland

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.:* <i>SCR 25</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HSP, WAM</i>	Date: <i>2/26/08</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
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.				✓
SAKAMOTO, Norman	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes