

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1302

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 09 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1354
H.D. 2
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1354, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the healthy start and the enhanced healthy start programs.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Appropriates general funds in the amount of \$7,740,000 for fiscal years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011, to maintain the current support services provided by the healthy start program;
- (2) Appropriates temporary assistance for needy families funds in the amount of \$1,660,000 for fiscal years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 to maintain current support services provided by the healthy start program; and
- (3) Appropriates temporary assistance for needy families funds in the amount of \$3,800,000 for fiscal years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011, for the enhanced healthy start program to hire a child development specialist or clinical specialist and to train healthy start and enhanced healthy start providers to continue delivering services that are currently provided.



Your Committee received four written comments on this measure. The written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the healthy start and enhanced healthy start programs provide important services to at-risk families. Your Committee believes that the current economic crisis is likely to increase stress on families and that parents and children will need the support provided by the healthy start and enhanced healthy start programs. Your Committee further finds that these programs play an important role in preventing child abuse and neglect.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriations to unspecified amounts;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2077, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1354, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1354, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

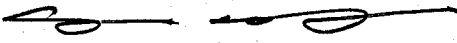
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

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<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
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HEE, Clayton	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
TOTAL	12			
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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