

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 896

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1362
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1362, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENETIC COUNSELORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to establish a licensure program for genetic counselors within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to ensure that individuals seeking genetic counseling receive the highest degree of quality services and professional conduct from licensed genetic counselors. This measure also provides penalties for non-compliance.


The Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children, March of Dimes - Hawaii, and numerous concerned individuals supported this bill. DCCA opposed this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1362, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



