

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

520

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2009

RE: S.B. No. 108

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 108 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY COURT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the Uniform Probate Code provisions on guardianship by increasing the time in which a court may appoint a temporary guardian from six to twelve months.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary and Legal Aid Society of Hawaii. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

This measure addresses the problem wherein temporary caretakers who are in the military and who initiate guardianship actions are currently unable to obtain any medical benefits for the children in their care because federal law requires that the guardian have a custody order for at least twelve consecutive months.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 108 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Government Operations,

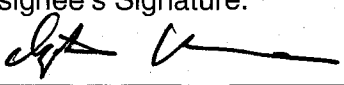


BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 108	JGO	2/6/09		
<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
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	✓			
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (VC)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	6	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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