

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 112

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 112 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHILDREN'S JUSTICE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make Children's Justice Program records confidential, subject to exceptions for coordinating agency staff, health professionals, and the courts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary. The Office of Information Practices submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that the Children's Justice Program promotes the sharing of information between different agencies that provide services to children and their families. Much of this information is personal in nature, and should not be subject to public release under chapter 92F, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This measure requires that all records used or developed by the Children's Justice Program shall remain confidential, subject to exceptions for program and coordinating agency staff, medical and mental health professionals, and the courts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 112 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.

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Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services,

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