

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1898

Honolulu, Hawaii

Apr 128, 2009

RE: S.C.R. No. 105  
S.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 Human Services, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 105, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
AGENCIES TO ENCOURAGE THEIR PARENT CLIENTS TO TURN ON CLOSED  
CAPTIONING WHEN THEIR CHILDREN WATCH TELEVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to urge public  
and private agencies to encourage their parent clients to turn on  
closed captioning when their children watch television.

The Department of Education submitted testimony in opposition  
to this measure. A concerned individual testified in support of  
this measure.

Your Committee finds that two-thirds of infants, toddlers,  
and children under the age of six spend an average of two hours  
watching television a day, while teenagers aged seven to eighteen  
years of age spend an average of four hours watching television  
each day. Further, your Committee also finds that captions help  
children establish a systematic link between the written word and  
the spoken word. By turning on captions while children are  
watching television, we are thereby encouraging our children to  
read more.


As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your  
Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your

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Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 105, S.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

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

  
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JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> SCR 105, SDI	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HUS	<b>Date:</b> 04/24/09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)	/			
2. BROWER, Tom (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				/
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. CARROLL, Mele				/
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	/			
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.	WAB			/
9. WARD, Gene				/
<b>TOTAL (9)</b>	5	0	0	4
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u>Tom Brower</u>				
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