

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 13 2009

RE: S.R. No. 15
S.D. 1

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.R. No. 15 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO NETWORK AND COOPERATE TO SUPPORT FOSTER FAMILIES IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage faith-based organizations in the State to network and cooperate to support foster families in Hawaii, such as by forming foster family ministries.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one individual. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that despite the development of innovative programs to protect and serve children and families, there is still a great need for foster homes.

Your Committee recognizes that Kokua Ohana, a foster care program that is the product of collaboration between the Partners in Development Foundation and the Department of Human Services, has successfully worked with churches and Native Hawaiian community organizations to recruit, train, and support Hawaii's foster families as a community effort. Your Committee encourages other faith-based organizations to network and collaborate similarly to effect positive changes for Hawaii's keiki and families.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 15, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 15, S.D. 1.

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

Suzanne Chun Oakland
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 13	Committee Referral: HMS	Date: 3/5/09		
<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 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
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	3	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes