

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 2, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2138
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2138 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHY START,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that all children have the opportunity to thrive in an abuse-free home by establishing the Healthy Start Program (Program) in statute and exempting it from the budget allotment system.

The Hawaii Family Support Institute, American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Blueprint for Change, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

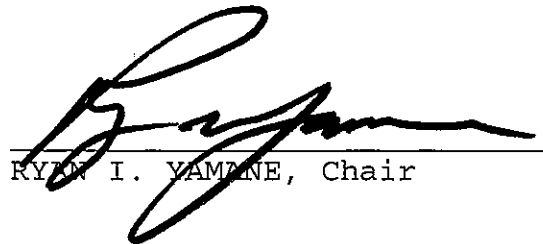
- (1) Providing that any exemptions of the Program from the budget allotment system with respect to services provided or contracted by the Department of Health shall be determined by the Legislature;
- (2) Removing language specifying that the Program is exempt from budget reductions made under the allotment system;



- (3) Removing language specifying that the Program's exemption from the allotments system applies to personnel positions;
- (4) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2138, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2138, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Education.

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



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2138	Committee Referral: HLT, EDN, FIN	Date: 1/26/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. BROWER, Tom	/			
6. CARROLL, Mele	/			/
7. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
9. FINNEGAN, Lynn		/		
TOTAL (9)	7	1		1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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