

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 376

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 18, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 297
H.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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 297 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR JUVENILES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to adopt the new Interstate Compact for Juveniles (Compact) to ensure the supervision of juveniles from state to state and ensure the return of juvenile runaways, escapees, and absconders to the supervising state, preventing juveniles from committing other crimes or becoming victims themselves. This bill also:

- (1) Establishes the family court's jurisdiction under the Compact; and
- (2) Appropriates funds for the State's share of the administrative expenses of the Compact.

The Judiciary and Office of Youth Services testified in support of this bill.

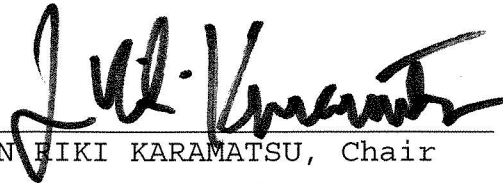


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2046, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Make technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 297, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 297, H.D. 1.

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



JON EIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



