

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 330
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 Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 330
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY HEALTH
EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure the delivery of
accurate sex education information by requiring any recipient of
state funding that provides sexuality health education to provide
medically accurate, factual, and comprehensive information that is
age appropriate and includes education on abstinence and
contraception.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, League of
Women Voters - Hawaii, Planned Parenthood Hawaii, Healthy Mothers
Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii, American Civil Liberty Union
of Hawaii, Hawaii State Democratic Women's Caucus, Community
Alliance on Prisons, Hawaii's Women's Political Caucus, Nursing
Advocates and Mentors, Inc., The Mestizo Association, and several
concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of
Education (DOE) and Hawaii Youth Services Network supported the
intent of this measure. The Department of Health, Catholic
Charities Hawaii's Mary Jane Program (Try Wait! Program), Pro-
family Hawaii, and several concerned individuals opposed this
bill. Several concerned individuals submitted comments.

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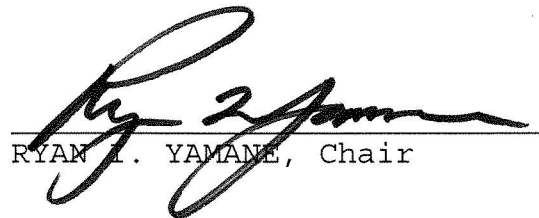


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the state funding referred to by this bill is specifically for sexuality health education;
- (2) Rephrasing language as suggested by DOE regarding the prevention of unintended pregnancy to be more in line with Board of Education policies; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes 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. 330, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 330, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Education.

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


RYAN L. YAMANE, Chair



