

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 17, 2010

RE: H.C.R. No. 19

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 19 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES TO CREATE A DATABASE RESOURCE WEBSITE TO HOUSE
REAL-TIME AVAILABILITY OF ALL JUVENILE SERVICES FROM THE
LOWEST LEVEL OF CARE TO THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF CARE FOR THE
APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT OF JUVENILES IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to request the
Department of Human Services (DHS) to create a database resource
website to house real-time availability of all juvenile services
for their placement.

A concerned individual submitted testimony in support of this
resolution.

Your Committee wishes to state that the current practice for
placing juveniles in programs is often difficult. These
difficulties are due to limited program options, lack of knowledge
of placement availability in real time, and determining the level
of care most appropriate to the juvenile.

Your Committee also finds that inappropriate placement of the
juvenile can lead to developmental hardship and decreased recovery
and rehabilitation efforts. The best way to address this issue is
to allow those involved to be able to find appropriate levels of
care with up-to-date availability and placement. This can be done

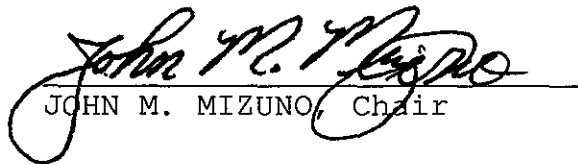
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through a real-time database website that will allow probation officers, judiciary, community agencies, social workers, families, etc. to access the most viable program for the juvenile's unique needs.

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 H.C.R. No. 19 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



