

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii
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RE: S.B. No. 2028

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2028 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY COURT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a program in the Family Court for the registration of child custody evaluators, and to authorize the Board of Family Court Judges to adopt certification criteria and standards for child custody evaluators.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Children's Rights Council and Angel Group, National Association of Social Workers, Hawaii Chapter, and three individuals.

Written comments were submitted by The Judiciary.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that as an important part of the family court process, child custody evaluators should be held to established standards which are developed by the Family Court. Your Committee also notes that The Judiciary would like to exclude social workers under its employ, and that this issue warrants further discussion as this measure proceeds through the legislative process.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2028 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.

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

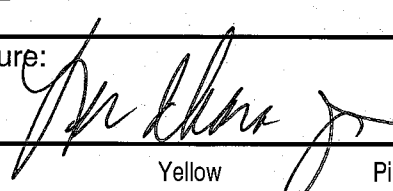
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SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2028	Committee Referral: HMS, JGO	Date: 1-28-10		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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	4	0	0	0
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