

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 12, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2226
S.D. 2
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 Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2226, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SENIOR CITIZENS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help protect older members of the community by establishing a task force to develop an efficient and fiscally responsible process for creating and operating a facial recognition database to help locate missing or lost senior citizens.

The Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs; National Association of Social Workers, Hawaii Chapter; and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of the Attorney General and Honolulu Police Department opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Replacing the membership of the task force with the following:
 - (A) One member appointed by the Governor;
 - (B) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

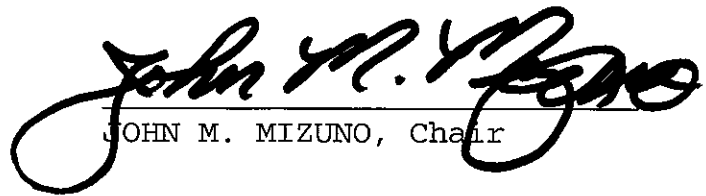


- (C) One member appointed by the Senate President;
 - (D) The Director of Public Safety or the Director's designee;
 - (E) A representative from the Adult Residential Care Home Association;
 - (F) A representative from the Community Care Foster Home Association;
 - (G) A representative from AARP;
 - (H) The Director of the Executive Office on Aging or the Director's designee;
 - (I) The County Executive of the Elderly Affairs Division of the Department of Community Services of the City and County of Honolulu or the County Executive's designee; and
 - (J) A representative from the Honolulu Police Department;
- (2) Attaching the task force for administrative purposes to the Executive Office on Aging in the Department of Health rather than the Department of the Attorney General;
 - (3) Inserting language that requires a power of attorney for a person 65 years of age or older to be witnessed by two witnesses who are not the named attorney-in-fact or related to the named attorney-in-fact and acknowledged by a notary public; and
 - (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2226, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2226, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



