

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 1, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2565
S.D. 1
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 Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2565, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to extend the deadline for Hawaii's Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) to complete its rulemaking process to allow HCRC to conform state law protections against disability discrimination to the final federal Equal Employment Opportunities Commission (EEOC) administrative regulation guidelines.

HCRC, Disability and Communication Access Board, and a concerned individual supported this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Increasing the HCRC extension for completing its rulemaking process to 12 months after the EEOC publishes final rules;
- (2) Establishing factors that must be considered by HCRC when determining whether to approve or deny a request that a witness' identity or statement be kept confidential;



- (3) Defining the term "confidential witness statement"; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes 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 S.B. No. 2565, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2565, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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


JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



State of Hawaii
 House of Representatives
 The Twenty-fifth Legislature

HSCR 1124-10

Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2565, SD1	Committee Referral: LAB, JUD	Date: 3/25/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki (C)	✓			
2. ITO, Ken (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. CABANILLA, Rida				✓
5. CARROLL, Mele				✓
6. HERKES, Robert N.				✓
7. LUKE, Sylvia				✓
8. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
9. MIZUNO, John M.				✓
10. MORITA, Hermina M.				✓
11. OSHIRO, Blake K.	✓			
12. SOUKI, Joseph M.	✓			
13. TSUJI, Cliff	✓			
14. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
16. THIELEN, Cynthia		✓		
TOTAL (16)	8	1		7
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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