

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2312

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2716
S.D. 1

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. 2716 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure compliance with federal Title IV-E State Plan requirements relating to federally mandated timelines, hearings, and case plan requirements for child protective proceedings.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Human Services, the Department of the Attorney General, and three individuals. Comments on this measure were submitted by The Judiciary, State of Hawaii. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that children are one of the greatest assets in our community and they also represent the future of our State. Your Committee also finds that it is vitally important to protect them from harm and to ensure that mechanisms are in place to facilitate this. Your Committee further finds that it is imperative that our State have provisions in place to comply with federal Title IV-E guidelines in order to assure the receipt of over \$50,000,000 in federal funds each year.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended the measure by:



- (1) Clarifying provisions regarding permanency hearings pursuant to the recommendation of the Department of Human Services;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2010; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive stylistic amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2716, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2716, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.

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


Suzanne Chun Oakland

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2716	Committee Referral: HMS, JGO	Date: 2/9/10		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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	3	0	0	1
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