

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2010

RE: S.R. No. 23
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.R. No. 23 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A HAWAII STATE FALL PREVENTION TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE APPROACH TO REDUCING FALLS AMONG OLDER ADULTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a Hawaii State Fall Prevention Task Force to develop a statewide approach to reducing falls among older adults.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Occupational Therapy Association of Hawaii, the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, the Injury Prevention Advisory Committee, and three individuals. Comments on this measure were submitted by the Legislative Reference Bureau. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that one third of elders in our communities fall each year, and that monetary and emotional costs to the elders and their families are large. Your Committee also finds that many of these falls are preventable, and that it is important to find ways to educate elders on prevention tactics and to facilitate active prevention.

Your Committee has amended this measure to designate a specific convener, designate the chair of the task force, and determine what entity is responsible for drafting legislation.

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Your Committee has also made technical, nonsubstantive stylistic changes 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 23, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 23, S.D. 1.


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
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 23	Committee Referral: HMS	Date: 2-16-10		
<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