

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1100

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2011

RE: H.C.R. No. 61  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred  
H.C.R. No. 61 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE JUDICIARY TO  
DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR FAMILY COURT  
JUDGES AND GUARDIANS AD LITEM TO BETTER RECOGNIZE AND  
UNDERSTAND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose for this concurrent resolution is to request the  
Judiciary to establish a training program for Family Court judges  
and guardians ad litem to better comprehend domestic violence.

An individual submitted testimony in support of this measure  
and the Judiciary testified in opposition.

Your committee amended this concurrent resolution by:

(1) Changing the title to "Requesting the Judiciary to  
continue to develop and implement a training program for  
Family Court judges and guardian ad litem to better recognize  
and understand domestic violence;" and

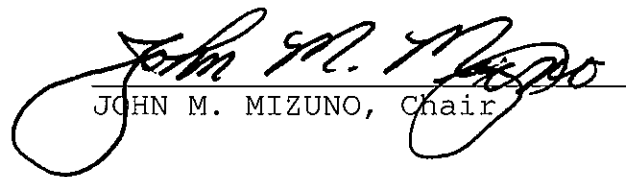
(2) Deleting the third paragraph in page 2 which states  
"Whereas, the Legislature is concerned that Family Court  
judges may not be correctly applying or enforcing section  
571-46 (a) (9)-(14), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to the  
detriment of domestic violence survivors and their children,



and ultimately punishing survivors and their children for successfully escaping abusive homes."

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 H.C.R. No. 61, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 61, H.D. 1.

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

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



