

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1315

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 117

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.R. No. 117 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ASSESS THE IMPACT OF DIVERTING DRUG POSSESSION OFFENDERS FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM TO DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to find viable alternatives to incarceration for drug possession offenders by requesting that the Attorney General assess the impact of diverting drug possession offenders from the criminal justice system to drug treatment programs.

The Community Alliance on Prisons, The Drug Policy Action Group, Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition, Ku Aloha Ola Mau, American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii, and The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Department of the Attorney General testified in opposition to this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 117 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



