

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1390

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 189

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.R. No. 189
entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF CHILD CUSTODY
PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING THE COMMISSION OF FAMILY VIOLENCE BY A
PARENT, TO ASSESS THE APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECTION
571-46, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Office of
the Auditor to audit a sampling of contested child custody
proceedings in which family violence has been alleged to have been
committed by a parent and that were heard by the Family Courts
between January 1, 2004, and December 31, 2010, to assess the
application and enforcement of the criteria established for the
Family Courts to consider in custody or visitation disputes where
domestic violence has been involved under section 571-46(a)(9)-
(14), Hawaii Revised Statutes.


The Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence
supported the intent of this measure. The Judiciary commented on
this resolution.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 189 and
recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

for 

RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



