

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1415

Honolulu, Hawaii
April 5, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 228
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 Health, to which was referred H.R. No. 228
entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER OF EACH YEAR AS "DOWN
SYNDROME EDUCATION AWARENESS MONTH" IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to increase awareness of
one of the most commonly occurring chromosomal conditions, Down
syndrome, and the abilities of, and educational opportunities for,
individuals with this condition by recognizing October as Down
Syndrome Awareness Month in Hawaii.

A concerned individual testified in support of this measure.
The Department of Education (DOE) opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this resolution by:


- (1) Clarifying that October should be recognized simply as
Down Syndrome Awareness Month in Hawaii;
- (2) Changing its title to read: "RECOGNIZING OCTOBER OF
EACH YEAR AS "DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH" IN HAWAII";
- (3) Deleting the request that DOE develop guidelines for a
lifelong learning approach for individuals with Down
syndrome and to extend sign language instruction with
speech to students with Down syndrome who can hear; and



- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 228, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 228, H.D. 1.

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

for 

RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



