

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 18 , 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1513

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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1513 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to continue the success of the Weed and Seed Program in reducing violent crime and drug use on Oahu by:

- (1) Establishing a permanent Weed and Seed Program (Program) within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR);
- (2) Creating the Weed and Seed Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) to guide the Program, including members from relevant government, business, and community organizations; and
- (3) Appropriating funds to the Young Men's Christian Association of Honolulu (YMCA) in the form of a grant to maintain the operations of the Program.

Office of Community Services, Hawaii Public Housing Authority, Honolulu Police Department, Meadow Gold Dairies, Director of Honolulu Weed and Seed, Principal of Linapuni Elementary School, Vice Principal of James Campbell High School,

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Waipahu Elementary School, and a large number of non-profits and community members testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Eliminating the requirement to establish an Advisory Committee;
- (2) Changing the expending agency for the weed and seed strategy from the YMCA to DLIR;
- (3) Changing its effective date to January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion; 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 Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1513, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1.

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

  
GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



