

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 6, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 1716
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1716 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to strengthen protections for survivors of domestic abuse by:

- (1) Authorizing a court to issue a permanent protective order to prevent sexual offenses or child abuse; and
- (2) Expanding the definition of domestic abuse.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes that if a protective order is intended to prevent sexual offenses or child abuse or a recurrence of such acts between family or household members, the court shall issue a permanent protective order; and
- (2) Amends the definition of domestic abuse to include sexual offenses or child abuse committed by one family or household member against another family or household member, regardless of age.



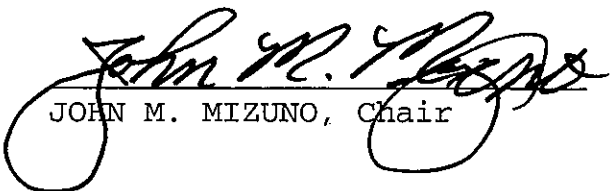
Two concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Human Services supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that a permanent protective order shall be granted based on an act that would constitute felony sexual assault or felony child abuse; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1716, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1716, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1716	Committee Referral: HUS, JUD, FIN	Date: JAN 30, 2012		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)	✓			
2. JORDAN, Jo (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				✓
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
5. LEE, Chris				✓
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
10. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
TOTAL (10)	8			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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