

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3148

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2533

H.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 2533, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF AGGRAVATED CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to ensure that the definition of "aggravated circumstances" in chapter 587A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is consistent with recent changes to the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2010 and the state plan under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act. Specifically, this measure deems the following situations to constitute "aggravated circumstances":

- (1) A parent has committed sexual abuse against another child of the parent; or
- (2) A parent is required to register as a sex offender.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Department of the Attorney General, and one private individual.

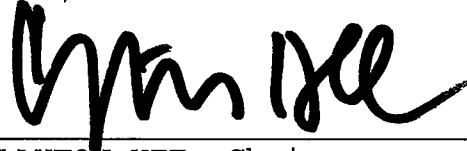
Your Committee finds that the Administration for Children and Families has informed the State that recent changes to the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act need to be incorporated into chapter 587A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Child Protective Act. This measure ensures that the State is in compliance with the



Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act so that the Department of Human Services can maintain federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act funding of approximately \$140,000 and Hawaii can remain eligible for approximately \$40,000,000 in annual federal Title IV-E funding.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2533, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



