

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2450

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2123
S.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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2123, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to assist victims of human trafficking by establishing a working group to develop a comprehensive state plan to coordinate services for survivors of human trafficking.

Written comments in support of this measure were submitted by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Office of Community Services; Pacific Alliance to Stop Slavery; IMUAlliance; Hawaii Catholic Conference; Hawaii Family Forum; and one individual. Written comments on this measure were submitted by the Department of the Attorney General.

Your Committee finds that victims of human trafficking are subjected to coercion, entrapment, and exploitation that often result in physical, mental, and psychological abuse. A comprehensive plan to coordinate relevant state programs for survivors of human trafficking will help alleviate current gaps in services for this vulnerable population.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting references to survivors of human trafficking "who are waiting for government certification as a

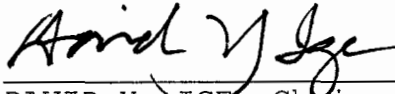


victim of a severe form of trafficking" and located in "new and existing communities," to more generally refer to survivors of human trafficking;

- (2) Providing that the Attorney General shall request representatives from health care providers, social service agencies, and housing providers to serve on the working group, and may select other interested stakeholders to serve as members;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on this measure; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2123, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2123, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 2123, SDI	HMS, WAM	29 2-28-12
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓	
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓	
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓	
ESPERO, Will	✓	
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓	
KIM, Donna Mercado		✓
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓	
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓	
RYAN, Pohai	✓	
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓	
WAKAI, Glenn	✓	
SLOM, Sam	✓	
TOTAL	12	0
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Recommendation:		
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