

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 22 , 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2178  
S.D. 2  
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 S.B. No. 2178, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Human Services to:

- (1) Conduct a study to evaluate the current asset limits for public assistance programs, such as the supplemental nutritional assistance program, temporary assistance for needy families program, temporary assistance for other needy families program, and the Med-QUEST program, and assess the effects of changing the asset limits on those programs; and
- (2) Report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature before the 2013 regular session.

The Department of Human Services, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii Alliance for Community Based Economic Development, and a concerned individual supported the measure.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a new part that makes appropriations to the Department of Human Services to maintain levels of programs determined to be essential to public welfare;

Specifically, those appropriations are for:

- (A) Blueprint for Change for neighborhood place walk-in centers;
- (B) Hawaii Primary Care Association for the Hawaii Immigrant Health Initiative Program provided at federally qualified health centers;
- (C) Youth Service Centers;
- (D) Hale Mahaolu for personal care services;
- (E) Shelter Plus Care Program;
- (F) Hawaii Primary Care Association for adult dental care provided at federally qualified health centers;
- (G) Maui Community College, University of Hawaii, for the adult dental care program;
- (H) Outstationed eligibility worker services provided at federally qualified health centers;
- (I) Hawaii Primary Care Association for outreach services provided at federally qualified health centers;
- (J) Hawaii Primary Care Association for outreach services to locate uninsured children for services at federally qualified health centers;
- (K) Adult Friends for Youth for youth gang prevention and intervention programs;
- (L) Child care subsidies;
- (M) Hawaii Centers for Independent Living for statewide independent living services;



- (N) Office of Youth Services for a youth gang response system;
  - (O) United Peer Learning Integrated New Knowledge Program for statewide non-school hour programs;
  - (P) Partners in Development Foundation;
  - (Q) People Attentive to Children for the Preschool Open Doors Program; and
  - (R) The Children's Alliance of Hawaii, Inc., to provide child sex assault services; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No. 2178, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2178, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



