

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2800  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

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

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

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2800, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM CHILD CARE LICENSING,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to add exemptions from child care licensing by the Department of Human Services for any kindergarten, school, or child care program licensed by the Charter School Review Panel, the Hawaii Council of Private Schools, or any federal agency and for child care programs conducted by counties.

Your Committee on Conference finds that as kindergartens, schools, or child care programs are already licensed by the Charter School Review Panel, the Hawaii Council of Private Schools, federal agencies, or counties that administer them, there is no sufficient



justification for the Department of Human Services to also license these kindergartens, schools, and child care programs.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by changing the effective date from July 1, 2030, to July 1, 2013.

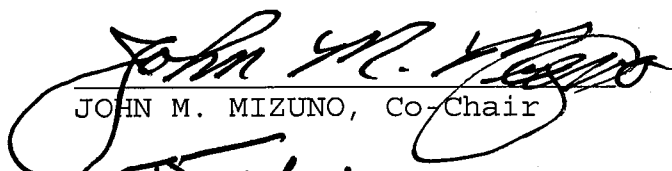

Your Committee on Conference notes the Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children's opposition to the measure, as amended, to the extent that it includes licensing exemptions for child care programs conducted by counties for children from birth through age five who receive child care subsidies. Your Committee on Conference requests the Department of Human Services to confer with the Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children to address and make recommendations to allay the concerns regarding children who receive child care subsidies. Your Committee on Conference also requests the Department to work with the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools and Hawaii Council of Private Schools, who already license private child care programs, to ensure that the program the Association and the Council develops meets the Department's licensing standards and that the Association and the Council have the capacity to take over the Department's responsibilities should they become responsible for licensing these programs.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2800, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2800, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

  
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