

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

March 1, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1188

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1188 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
POVERTY REDUCTION TASK FORCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve access to economic and educational opportunities to help families achieve self-sufficiency and financial security while reducing the number of Hawaii residents living in poverty by:

- (1) Creating the Economic Opportunity Poverty Reduction Task Force to assess current state policies and practices that promote economic opportunity and poverty reduction; and
- (2) Develop a strategic, integrated, and comprehensive plan to expand economic opportunities in Hawaii to reduce the number of Hawaii residents, including children and families, living in poverty.

A concerned individual supported this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to facilitate further discussion; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1188, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1188, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



