

Honolulu, Hawaii  
**February 5**, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2037  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2037  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to continue and expand the  
array of services offered to at-risk youth and their families by  
Project Kealahou by appropriating funds to preserve this project.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, YWCA of  
O'ahu, Hawaii Youth Services Network, and two individuals supported  
this measure. The Department of Health commented on this measure.

Project Kealahou is a federally-funded program currently  
operating under a six-year grant housed within the Department of  
Health Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division. Project  
Kealahou promotes community-based, family-driven, and evidence-  
based services. Project Kealahou also emphasizes gender-  
responsive and trauma-informed care when serving its target  
population of adolescent females ages 11 to 21 who have  
experienced trauma in their lives. Your Committee notes that the  
federal funding that currently supports Project Kealahou will be  
phased out beginning in October 2014 and will expire completely  
after that time.



Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Deleting the specified amount reflected in the appropriation;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate continued discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Should this measure be further deliberated in the legislative process, your Committee respectfully requests the Committee on Finance to consider appropriating \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 for the continued funding of Project Kealahou.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2037, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2037, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

**ASCR 165-14**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> <i>HB 2037</i>	<b>Committee Referral:</b> <i>HLT, FIN</i>	<b>Date:</b> <i>1/29/14</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>HLT Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele				✓
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo				✓
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	✓			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>2</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ 				
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