

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 4, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 868

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 868 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELIMINATING THE ASSET LIMIT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT FOR THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to disregard the \$5,000 asset limit and the value of any vehicles in determining the needs of households with minor children applying for public assistance from the Department of Human Services.

The Department of Human Services, Office of Community Services, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, the Hawaii Alliance for Community-Based Economic Development, the Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Goodwill Industries of Hawaii, Inc., Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, Hawaii Women's Coalition, Community Alliance for Mental Health, and two individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure.

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 H.B. No. 868 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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

*Mele Carroll*

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MELE CARROLL, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 868</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HUS, FIN</b>	Date: <b>1-31-13</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CARROLL, Mele (C)	/			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	/			
5. JORDAN, Jo	/			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.	/			
8. FUKUMOTO, Beth	/			
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	<b>8</b>			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>B. Kegan</i></u>				
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