

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1703

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 12, 2013

RE: H.C.R. No. 76

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 76 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING TO CONTINUE ITS RESEARCH OF THE TIMEBANKING CONCEPT FOR HAWAII'S RESPITE SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to support the coordination of a statewide system of aging and caregiver support services in the State.

More specifically, this measure requests the Executive Office on Aging to:

- (1) Continue its research on timebanking as a sustainable and alternative currency system that will enhance and strengthen Hawaii's respite system; and
- (2) Submit a report on its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2014.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Executive Office on Aging, Community Alliance for Mental Health, and two individuals.



Your Committee finds that alternative forms of currency to support increasing community needs for respite care services can help narrow many identified service gaps. Accordingly, your Committee finds that timebanking may offer a more sustainable way to provide social services and that further research and investigation is needed to determine its viability.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 76 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Consumer  
Protection & Commerce,



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



