

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1782

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1782 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to educate public school students on sexual abuse prevention through an age appropriate curriculum. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes guidelines for a sexual abuse prevention instructional program, including guidelines for instruction; and
- (2) Requires all public schools to establish sexual abuse prevention instructional programs for students in grades pre-kindergarten through twelve that are consistent with the guidelines.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, Hawaii Youth Services Network, Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii, The Sex Abuse Treatment Center, Hawaii Association for Infant Mental Health, Parents and Children Together, Hawaii Women's Coalition, and several individuals supported this measure. The Department of Education and Executive Office on Early Learning supported the intent of this measure. The State Public Charter School Commission provided comments.



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion.

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. 1782, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1782, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Education.

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



DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



