

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 18, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2227

H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support ongoing efforts to improve access to government services and programs for limited English proficient individuals by appropriating funds to operate the Statewide Language Access Resource Center and the Multilingual Website Pilot Project.

The Office of Language Access; Hawaii Filipino Lawyers Association; and several concerned individuals supported this measure. A concerned individual submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Should your Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider appropriating:

- (1) \$300,000 for fiscal year 2016-2017 to operate the Statewide Language Access Resource Center; and
- (2) \$150,000 for fiscal year 2016-2017 to operate the Multilingual Website Pilot Project.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: HS 2227 HD-1	Committee Referral: HLT, LAB, FMV.	Date: 2/16/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <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)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	/			
2. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	/			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
4. HAR, Sharon E.	/			
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda	/			
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
7. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	/			
8. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	/			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.	/			
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
11. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.	/			
TOTAL (11)	11			
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: _____ 				
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