

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

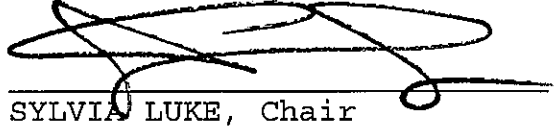
The purpose of this measure is to support ongoing efforts to improve access to government services and programs for limited English proficient individuals by appropriating funds to operate the Statewide Language Access Resource Center and the Multilingual Website Pilot Project.

The Ethnic Education Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Friends of Civil Rights, Filipinos for Affirmative Action, and three individuals testified in support of this measure. The Office of Language Access and one individual provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



