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November 25, 2016

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, HI 96813

The Honorable Joseph Souki, Speaker  
and Members of the House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting one copy of the Report on Parental Preferences in Government Contracts, Programs, and Services, as required by Act 162, SLH 2002.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: <http://dhrd.hawaii.gov/reports/>.

Sincerely,

*Cindy S. Inouye*

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Enclosure

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**DEPT. COMM. NO. 208**

**REPORT TO THE TWENTY-NINTH STATE LEGISLATURE  
2017 Regular Session**

**On  
Parental Preferences in Government  
Contracts, Programs, and Services**

**As Required by  
Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2002**

**Submitted by:**

**The State of Hawaii  
Executive Branch**

**November 2016**

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The State of Hawaii, Executive Branch, through the Department of Human Resources Development, submits this Report to the Twenty-Ninth Legislature in accordance with Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2002. This Report is being submitted on behalf of the state executive departments and offices, including their attached agencies.

The following state executive departments and offices have reviewed their contracts, programs, and services that affect parental roles in children's health, welfare, and education, and have determined that a parental preference favoring one parent over the other in terms of child-rearing does not exist.

1. The Office of the Governor.
2. The Office of the Lieutenant Governor.
3. The Department of Accounting and General Services.
4. The Department of Agriculture.
5. The Department of the Attorney General.
6. The Department of Budget and Finance.
7. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and  
Tourism.

8. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.
9. The Department of Defense.
10. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.
11. The Department of Health.
12. The Department of Human Resources Development.
13. The Department of Human Services.
14. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.
15. The Department of Land and Natural Resources.
16. The Department of Public Safety.
17. The Department of Taxation.
18. The Department of Transportation.
19. The Hawaii State Public Library System.

#### Summary of the Report

All 16 of the executive departments, the Office of the Governor, the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, and the Hawaii State Public Library System are included in this report. All departments and offices have reported that they have:

- (1) Reviewed their respective contracts, programs and services;
- (2) Identified those contracts, programs, and services that affect parental roles in children's health, welfare and education; and
- (3) Determined that no parental preference exists that favors one parent over another in the raising of children.

If there are any questions related to this report, inquiries can be made to the Department of Human Resources Development at 587-1100.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, November 25, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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