

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 111

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1099  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1099 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to bring the State into compliance with the federal Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-22) and the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-320) by, among other things:

- (1) Amending the definition of "child abuse or neglect" to include sex trafficking;
- (2) Clarifying that child abuse and neglect reports that are expunged from the State's central registry may be retained by the Department of Human Services for future risk and safety assessment purposes; and
- (3) Deleting the child abuse investigation disposition of "unsubstantiated" and replacing it with "not confirmed".

The Department of Human Services, City and County of Honolulu Police Department, Family Programs Hawaii, IMUAlliance, and two individuals testified in support of this measure. Harm Reduction Hawaii opposed this measure.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2075, to facilitate continued discussion on this measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1099, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1099, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



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DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



