

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 977

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 3, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 674
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which
was referred H.B. No. 674, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD CARE PROVIDERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect Hawaii's children
by:

- (1) Requiring all child care providers to obtain and maintain liability insurance coverage as a condition of licensure, temporary permission, or registration to operate a child care facility and disclose certain liability insurance coverage information to parents or guardians applying to have their child cared for at the facility; and
- (2) Authorizing the Department of Human Services to suspend or revoke a provider's license, temporary permit, or certificate of registration if the provider does not comply with the insurance coverage and disclosure requirements.

Numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services provided comments.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Stipulating that this Act shall be known as the Wylie Muir Act;
- (2) Changing its effective date to upon approval but prohibiting enforcement of the newly established liability requirements until January 1, 2018, to allow sufficient time for child care facilities to achieve compliance; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 674, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 674, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



