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TO: The Honorable Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Pankaj Bhanot, Director

SUBJECT: SB 511 SD1 – RELATING TO CHILD CARE FACILITIES

Hearing: Thursday, February 23, 2017, 9:35 a.m.

Conference Room 211, State Capitol

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) appreciates the intent of this measure and offers comments. In particular, DHS is currently working on complying with recent changes in federal and state law that require DHS to post similar monitoring and inspection information to a public website. DHS expects the information to be available on a public website by 2018.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to require the Department of Human Services to post its inspection records of the child care facilities on a public website and submit an annual report to the Legislature of certain information from inspection records related to child care facilities. The Senate Committees on Human Services and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health amended the measure by adding members of the Legislature to the child care facility inspection information oversight committee, reinstating the language that authorized, rather than mandated, DHS to post certain child care facility records on the DHS website, and changed the number of days to thirty working days for DHS to post reports at the conclusion of the inspection.

The primary focus of DHS child care licensing program is on the health and safety of all children in care. Congress passed and on November 19, 2014 President Obama

signed into law the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014, Public Law (P.L.) 113-186, which reauthorized the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF). The CCDBG Act of 2014 made expansive changes focused on protecting the health and safety of children in care, ensuring parents and the general public have transparent information about the child care choices available to them, and improving the overall quality of early learning and afterschool programs. The CCDF grant funds provides for Hawaii's child care licensing, quality initiatives, and federally funded child care subsidy programs.

1. Posting reports to a public website.

To bring Hawaii law into compliance with federal law, the Hawaii legislature passed Act 88, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2016, which became effective July 1, 2016. Part of the Governor's bill package (HB2343), Act 88 (SLH 2016) made substantial amendments to safety provisions to protect children in child care consistent with the CCDBG Act. In addition to enhancing and expanding background checks, training and monitoring provisions of exempt providers caring for children whose families receive a CCDF subsidy, Act 88 (SLH 2016) amended section 346-153, to allow DHS to post records of deficiencies and complaints on a public website. DHS is currently working to implement these extensive changes in the regulation of child care providers.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), issued the Final Rule 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 98 for the CCDF program and which became effective November 30, 2016. The 45 CFR Part 98 rule revision provided needed guidance regarding P.L. 113-186 requirements to the states, territories, and tribes that receive CCDF grants and clarified that the consumer education information website requirement for each state will need to include:

- a. The process of licensing child care providers;
- b. The process for conducting monitoring and inspections of child care providers;
- c. Policies and procedures related to criminal background checks for child care providers;
- d. The offenses that prevent individuals from serving as child care providers;
- e. A localized list of all licensed child care providers searchable by zip code;

f. Results of monitoring and inspection reports and those reports due to major substantiated complaints about failure to comply with the provisions of health and safety;

The reports on the public website shall include information on the date of such inspection, information on corrective action taken by the state and the child care provider, where applicable, any health and safety violations, including any fatalities and serious injuries occurring at the provider, prominently displayed on the report summary, and a minimum of 3 years of results where available.

DHS is diligently working to meet the requirements of the CCDBG Act, P.L. 113-186 and 45 CFR Part 98, and DHS anticipates the implementation of the public consumer education website by late 2018.

This measure as drafted would take effect July 1, 2017 for inspections occurring on January 1, 2018. However, DHS is working with the IT system programmers to design and develop the public website as well as work on system modifications to accommodate the extracting the licensing data to the searchable public website to comply with current federal and state laws. To implement additional changes DHS asks that the committee provide an effective date of July 1, 2018 or later to give DHS sufficient time to implement the required IT system changes needed to accommodate the public website.

The department's current plan and design of the website to meet the federal posting requirements is designed to assist parents to find regulated child care and will identify only current providers with active and valid licenses or registrations. The system will be searchable by zip code, and information regarding active and valid child care licensed and registered providers will be updated on a nightly basis.

Currently, if a complaint involves allegations of potential risk of health and safety to children in home-based care, the license or registration may be suspended and the DHS child care licensing staff will notify involved families by phone telephone. If the same occurred regarding a facility, DHS would post a notice and facility staff would inform parents of the suspension of the facilities' license. New families searching for child care will not be able to find the provider whose license or registration has been suspended.

2. Oversight committee for child care facility inspection information.

Regarding Section 1 of this bill to create an oversight committee to oversee implementation and compliance with the requirements of section 346-153(c), DHS requires clarification as to what function(s) the oversight committee would fulfill and how often the committee would meet.

The Benefit, Employment, and Support Services Division (BESSD) currently has a Child Care Advisory group that meets quarterly. The membership for the group consists of 21 voting members, including a representative from registered family child care and a parent representative, along with other early childhood stakeholder organizations and groups. DHS wonders if this group could fulfill the functions of the proposed oversight committee, though this group is not currently formed pursuant to Chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

DHS notes that the proposed oversight committee would have 6 parent consumer representatives, one from each geographic area served by the DHS child care licensing units statewide, as well as a family child care home and a group child care home. The BESSD Child Care Advisory group's 1 parent representative and 1 family child care representative are rarely able to attend the quarterly meetings due to the meetings being held during the weekdays during the days. Most parents and home-based providers are busy working or providing care for the children and are unable to take the time off to attend the advisory meetings.

If the Legislature agrees that the proposed committee representation is essential, DHS estimates costs needed for expenses incurred to maintain the oversight committee. If the committee were to meet quarterly, the estimated cost of \$10,600 is needed annually for travel and other expenses incurred for members in performance of their official duties.

Regarding the membership of the oversight committee members, DHS notes that there is no coordinator position for the State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care. The Early Learning Advisory Board (ELAB) was designated as Hawaii's state advisory council on early childhood education and care, and the ELAB does not have a coordinator but it does have a chairperson. The Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) program at the Center on the Family no longer exists.

We appreciate the intent of this bill, and DHS will continue to examine how we can improve our systems to be more effective and efficient in serving Hawai'i's children to improve the way we do business.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.



February 22, 2017

To: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

Committee on Ways and Means

From: Deborah Zysman, Executive Director

Hawaii Children's Action Network

Re: SB 511 SD 1- Relating to Child Care Facilities

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 211, February 23, 2017, 9:35 AM

On behalf of Hawaii Children's Action Network (HCAN), we are writing to offer COMMENTS on SB 511 SD 1 – Relating to Child Care Facilities

HCAN supports the intention to provide safe, regulated child care. By providing transparency of the inspections through posting them online and a legislative report, the public can make better-informed choices. To post online in a public-friendly manner, the reports need to be searchable and up to date.

However, we feel that creating a new oversight committee is not necessary to implement this process. There is an existing Childcare Advisory Board that advises DHS. The composition of the existing Advisory Board closely mirrors the proposed oversight committee and we believe that its scope could be expanded. The publication and sharing of childcare information is a department project that can be completed with the assistance of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services. A funding allocation to develop the online portal should be included as part of this bill.

The amendment that changed the language from "mandate" to "authorizes" weakens the bill significantly and the likelihood of the information being shared with the public a lot less likely. We request the original language be reinstated.

For these reasons, HCAN respectfully requests that the committee amend SB 511 SD 1 to remove the creation of the oversight committee and reinstate the original language mandating the posting of the inspections.

HCAN is committed to building a unified voice advocating for Hawaii's children by improving their safety, health, and education. Last fall, HCAN convened input in person and online from more than 50 organizations and individuals that came forward to support or express interest for a number of issues affecting children and families in our state that resulted in the compilation of 2017 Hawai'i Children's Policy Agenda, which can be accessed at http://www.hawaii-can.org/2017policyagenda.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Edith Adkins	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a working mother and active voter, I strongly support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post on a public website records relating to child care facility deficiencies, complaints of violations, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints. I support that these same data be included in an annual report to the legislature, to ensure that both legislators and the public have the opportunity to review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. I also support the establishment of an oversight committee to ensure the implementation and compliance.

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Craig Nelson	Individual	Support	No

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Kristen Teranishi	Individual	Support	No

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Kelly Kozar	Individual	Support	No

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Eko Lapp	Individual	Support	No

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Katie Flanagan	Individual	Support	No

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Jane Fujita	Individual	Support	No	

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jeff muir	Individual	Support	No

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David Itano	Individual	Support	No	

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Adam Dorr	Individual	Support	No

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Jarrod Quon	Individual	Support	No

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Leah Laramee	Individual	Support	No

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Margaret Koehler	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Steve Montgomery & Anita Manning	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We are writing to support SB511 the proposed requirement that Dept. of Human Services post on a public website records on child care facility deficiencies, violations complaints of, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints. These same data should be included in an annual report to the legislature, so that legislators and the public may review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. Children need every protection.

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afsheen siddiqi	Individual	Support	No

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Richard Camp	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Jani	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a working parent, the safety of my children in daycare facilities is an issue of utmost importance to me and my family. Parents need to be able to access information about the dependability, safety and compliance history of childcare centers that will be responsible for their children's safety. Importantly, getting that information should be simple enough that busy parents or all backgrounds can reasonably obtain it. I strongly support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post on a public website records relating to child care facility deficiencies, complaints of violations, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints. I support that these same data be included in an annual report to the legislature, to ensure that both legislators and the public have the opportunity to review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. I also support the establishment of an oversight committee to ensure the implementation and compliance.

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Roy N Morioka	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means: I strongly support the measure as it creates much needed oversight committee for child care in Hawaii as in most cases both couples need to work to be able to live in our beautiful state. Additionally, the posting of inspections results within 30-days of the inspection gives parents the opportunity to check on the performance status of respective child care providers. Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on this long absent statute necessary to better ensure the safety and care of our keiki entrusted to others. ahalo a nui loa! Respectively, Roy orioka

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Jenny Prior	Individual	Support	No

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My name is Cynthia King and I support SB511. I support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post all records relating to state licensed child care facility deficiencies, complaints of violations, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints on a public website. And I support that these same data be included in an annual report to the legislature, to ensure that both legislators and the public have the opportunity critically review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. I also support the formation of an oversight committee to weigh in on issues relating to day care policy, oversight, and compliance.

My infant son Wiley passed away under suspicious circumstances under the care of a State licensed day care provider, Therese Manu-Lee in February 2014. Following Wiley's death, Manu-Lee's State license was suspended while DHS supposedly conducted an investigation regarding the circumstances of his death. Despite her license being suspended, Manu-Lee opened up a day care at another location and continued watching children. Over this same period, Manu-Lee also took deposits from new parents, and did not disclose that her license was suspended, and many never received their money back. This is documented in bankruptcy court filings.

Parents sought her out and trusted this person because she held a state license, and they believed that there were safeguards in place to prevent her from committing fraud, and putting the lives of their children at risk. Despite complaints about her fraudulent behavior being reported to DHS, her license was reinstated once the investigation regarding Wiley's death was closed. As a result, parents continued to entrust their children and money to her care. Parents who called to inquire about her background were not told of Wiley's passing in her care, or of the reports of her fraud.

In July of 2015, Manu-Lee was shut down once again after she was caught with 14 children in her care, 8 of which were infants. The legal limit for in home day care in Hawaii is 6 children, only two of which can be infants. According to her records, a total of 18 children were receiving care, though they were not all present at the time of the inspection. Other violations included having und two adult men living in the house who were not approved by DHS to be present with the children.

Despite that my baby died under suspicious circumstances in her care, that she committing fraud innumerable times (and eventually filed for bankrupty), and that she was caught neglecting four times the legal number of infants, Therese Manu-Lee was still able to secure a position in elder care, because there is no record publicly available of all of the violations she amassed. The State Attorney General's office has verified that Therese Manu-Lee has since been employed by Wilson Home Care, a trusted home health care provider for the elderly on Oahu. This company runs criminal and abuse background checks for its employees, but encountered no red flags when hiring this person.

The State DHS will argue that unsubstantiated claims should not be posted publically. I would argue that DHS has not demonstrated competence in actually conducting an independent

investigation relating to infant deaths in day cares, substantiating claims that were made against providers, and/or accurately providing relevant information to inquiring parents.

DHS "investigators" never substantiated basic facts that have since been uncovered relating to my son's death: 1) that Manu-Lee had over the legal number of children in her care at the time of his death, 2) that she provided egregiously conflicting stories about his death, 3) that she opened up an illegal day care after her licensed was suspended, when she was under investigation, 4) that she took money from tens of families.

Furthermore, requests for information from DHS relating to Manu-Lee made went unfulfilled for more than one year. A report that was only just recently released by DHS in February 2017, relating to the July 2015 closing of Manu-Lee day care, was dated December 30, 2016. Which is to say, DHS did not even write a report to share with the public for 1.5 years following the closing of the day care following her being caught with 14 children.

Please support SB511. Without such a public records systems in place, there is no opportunity for the parents, legislator, the public or employers to thoroughly evaluate potential care givers. We have systems like this in place for restaurants, they should absolutely be in place to protect our most innocent and vulnerable populations. Thank so for the opportunity to submit testimony.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ben Trevino	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a resident of Ala Moana and an active voter. I hope to also be a parent in the future. I strongly support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post on a public website records relating to child care facility deficiencies, complaints of violations, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints. I support that these same data be included in an annual report to the legislature, to ensure that both legislators and the public have the opportunity to review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. I also support the establishment of an oversight committee to ensure the implementation and compliance.

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Marilyn King	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill to insure transparency in the DHS and to establish oversight.

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Dr. Carol Nowak	Individual	Support	No

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John Vetter	Individual	Support	No

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Carl Meyer	Individual	Support	No

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george fujita	Individual	Support	No

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Jim Hayden	Individual	Support	No

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Amy Lee	Individual	Support	No

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Maureen O'Connor	Individual	Support	No

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Stephanie Benson	Individual	Support	No

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Daniel Rubinoff	Individual	Support	No

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emily king	Individual	Support	No

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Karen Meyer	Individual	Support	No

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Emma Yuen	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I support this bill which would increase public transparency and allow parents to learn more about the condition of their childcare facilities, which is a major benefit to having inspections. Mahalo.

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Wendy Umipeg-Wurtz	Individual	Support	No

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ksapungay	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: SB511 (relating to public records) I strongly support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post on a public website records relating to child care facility deficiencies, complaints of violations, corrective actions taken relating to permit issuance/suspension/revocation, results of investigations and resolution of complaints. I support that these same data be included in an annual report to the legislature, to ensure that both legislators and the public have the opportunity to review and evaluate DHS oversight of child care facilities on an annual basis. I also support the establishment of an oversight committee to ensure the implementation and compliance.

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Wendy Meguro	Individual	Support	No

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Brendt Chang	Individual	Support	No

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A. Libby167-5 Oko StreetKailua, HI 96734808-389-1588

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Jennifer Kiyoko Camp	Individual	Support	No

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Paul Krushelnycky	Individual	Support	No

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Benjamin Forsyth	Individual	Support	No

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Clarice	Individual	Support	No

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Jason Misaki	Individual	Support	No

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william muir	Individual	Support	No

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Megan Coy	Individual	Support	No

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Martha Cheng	Individual	Support	No

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Karl Magnacca	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the proposed requirement for the Dept. of Human Services to post on a public website records relating to child care facilities. This is critical for people to be able to make an informed choice about care for their child.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marlyn Jane	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: As a first time mother due to lack of website records relating to child care in regards to deficiencies and complaints the uncertainty of the quality of care of my child will receive in a day care is unknown. With the stories of child abuse and deaths that occur in child care operations makes me question child care services. Having public records of these child care will give peace and mind to families to are afraid of this nightmare. In my situation my other half and I have to work opposite schedules to accommodate switching off taking care of our daughter because of the fear of child care services of a stranger who "might" not be up to the rules and regulations of fully function day care. Therefore, I support this bill, strongly!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Comments: As the mother of three children and the grandmother of two I am writing in strong support of SB21, which would increase civil penalties and establish felony charges for State licensed day care providers who violate day care laws and endanger, injure or cause the death children. This law is necessary to protect the lives and well-being of our keiki in the care of others.

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