

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1706
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health & Human Services and Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 1706 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO APPROPRIATIONS TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prevent homelessness and rehouse homeless people in the State by appropriating funds to support and improve the Coordinated Statewide Homeless Initiative.

Catholic Charities Hawaii, Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Aloha United Way, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, and Na Kahua Hale O Ulu Wini supported this measure. The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Department of Human Services, and Department of the Attorney General provided comments.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Department of Human Services (Department) shall:
 - (A) Oversee the funds expended by the procured contractor; and

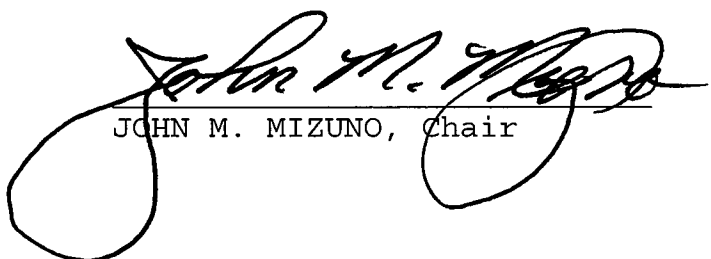


- (B) Develop policies and procedures for a fair and equitable procurement process for subcontracts made between the contractor and subcontracted provider agencies;
- (2) Specifying that the contractor shall maintain staffing of and provide connectivity to the homeless coordination center within a statewide telephone information and referral call center system;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health & Human Services and Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1706, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1706, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health & Human
Services and Housing,


TOM BROWER, Chair


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



