

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1926
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1926 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure as received by your Committee is to establish the Central Homeless Intake Office within the Department of Human Services to assess homeless individuals and families and refer them to assistance services.

For the purposes of facilitating discussion, your Committee solicited a proposed H.B. No. 1926, H.D. 1 (Proposed Draft) for public review and comment. The Proposed Draft requires the Department of Human Services to use an integrated and multigenerational approach to delivering human services to reduce the incidence of intergenerational poverty and dependence on public benefits.

The Department of Human Services, Hawai'i Primary Care Association, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and several concerned individuals supported this measure.



Your Committee notes that this measure is a top priority for the Department of Human Services addressing issues related to poverty.

Your Committee has adopted the Proposed Draft and amended the Proposed Draft by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making nonsubstantive, technical amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1926, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1926, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



