

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2128  
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. 2128 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VICTIMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the availability of mental health services for victims of sexual violence and abuse by requiring that accident and health or sickness insurance policies provide coverage for appropriate clinical victim support services provided by qualified mental health providers.

The Sex Abuse Treatment Center, Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii, Hawaii Psychological Association, YWCA O'ahu, Common Chord Psychology, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, The Catalyst Group, LLC, IMUAlliance, I Ola Lahui, American Association of University Women Hawaii, Hawaii Children's Action Network, and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Department of Human Services, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, and Hawaii Medical Service Association provided comments.

Your Committee notes that the coverage proposed in this measure may require the adoption of Concurrent Resolutions requesting the Auditor to assess the social and financial effects

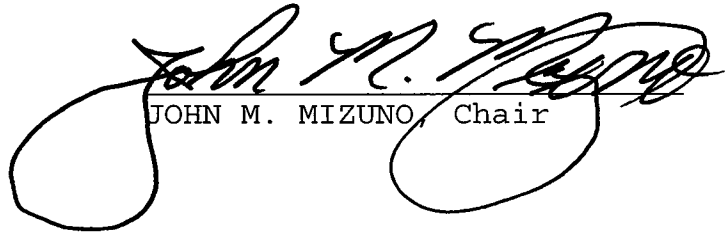


of the proposed mandated coverage pursuant to section 23-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

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. 2128, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2128, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



