

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2364
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. 2364 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve and enhance Hawaii's juvenile justice system by establishing the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center at the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility to incorporate a more therapeutic and rehabilitative focus for juvenile justice.

The Office of Youth Services, Department of Human Services, Friends of Youth Outreach, Hawaii Youth Services Network, Hale Kipa, Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee, Ho'ola Na Pua, Partners In Development Foundation, and a few concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Education and United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO provided comments.

Your Committee notes the concerns raised by the Department of Education (DOE) regarding the application of quality standards based education and special education services for eligible at-risk young adults and respectfully requests that the Department of Human Services work with the DOE to ensure compliance with these standards. Your Committee further notes the concerns raised by



the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO that the employees they represent may be negatively impacted by this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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

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. 2364, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2364, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



