

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2520

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 2520 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOVIE THEATERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to continue to support full access for persons with disabilities through meaningful accessibility requirements for movie theaters, by:

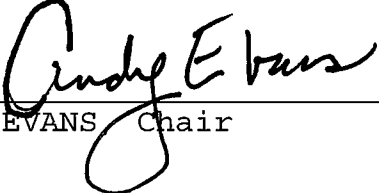
- (1) Making permanent the requirement that movie theaters make available open movie captioning showings and requiring these showings to occur at least two times per week;
- (2) Requiring at least one of those showings to have a scheduled start time no earlier than 4:30 p.m.; and
- (3) Eliminating the requirement that movie theaters provide an option of personal closed captioning screenings by means of lightweight eyewear.

The Disability and Communication Access Board, Hawaii Civil Rights Commission, DB Interpreting Services, and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2520 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce and Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business,



CINDY EVANS Chair



