STAND. COM. REP. NO. 339 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2018

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RE: H.R. No. 138 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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.R. No. 138, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE JUDICIARY AND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO NOT USE BLINDNESS AS A BASIS FOR DENYING PARENTAL RIGHTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii State Judiciary and Department of Human Services to not use a parent's, prospective parent's, or guardian's blindness as a basis for denial of parental or guardian status and exercise of related rights.

The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 138, H.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary,

SCOTT Y. NESHIMOTO, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

| Bill/Resolution No.: HR 138 HD1 | Committee Referral: HHG, JUD Date: 04/04/18 | | | | |
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| ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | | |
| JUD Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused | |
| 1. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (C) | | | | | |
| 2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A | . (VC) | | | | |
| 3. BROWER, Tom | | | | | |
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| 4. LEE, Chris | | | | | |
| 5. MORIKAWA, Dee | | | | | |
| 6. TAKAYAMA, Gregg | | | | | |
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| 7. McDERMOTT, Bob | | | | | |
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| 8. THIELEN, Cynthia | | · | · | | |
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| The recommendation is: Ado If joint is | referral, | ☐ Not Adopted did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | | |
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