

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2097

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2097 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize child abuse and neglect investigation findings for incidents occurring in licensed group child care homes or group child care centers to be disclosed to parents or guardians of children enrolled in the home or center at the time of the alleged abuse or neglect or to parents or guardians considering enrolling their children in the home or center; and
- (2) Authorize the disclosure of an investigation involving a finding of a felony or misdemeanor to any person upon request.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Parents and Children Together, Sounds of Success Preschool & Learning Center, Rainbow Family 808, and thirteen individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

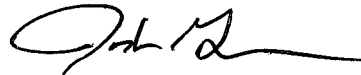
Your Committee finds that child care facilities play a significant role in the development and growth of a child. Your



Committee further finds that parents place a significant amount of trust in child care facilities to ensure that their children are safe and should have access to certain information when selecting a child care facility. Your Committee notes that authorizing the disclosure of child abuse and neglect investigation findings will provide beneficial input to parents and guardians when selecting a safe child care provider and facility.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2097 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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




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JOSH GREEN, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Human Services**  
**HMS**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 2097	HMS, JDC	2/5/18
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
	Nay	Excused
GREEN, Josh (C)	✓	
CHANG, Stanley (VC)	✓	
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓	
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓	
WAKAI, Glenn		✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	4	1
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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