

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1453

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2019

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RE: S.B. No. 947

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Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, to which was referred S.B. No. 947, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit the disability of a parent or caregiver from being the sole factor in determining fitness as a foster parent, adoptive parent, guardian, parent seeking custody or visitation, or provider of a safe family home.

The Disability and Communication Access Board, Aloha State Association of the Deaf, National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii, and a few individuals supported this measure. The Department of Human Services provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

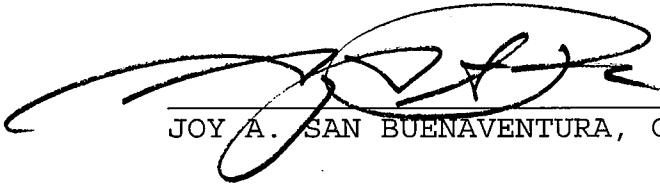
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 947, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B.

SB947 HD1 HSCR HSH HMS 2019-3145



No. 947, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on  
Judiciary.

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



JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> SB 947 SDI	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HSH, JVD	<b>Date:</b> March 15, 2019		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HSH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)	✓			
2. NAKAMURA, Nadine K. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
5. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
6. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	✓			
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. WARD, Gene				✓
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	7			1
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u>Nadine K. Nakamura</u>				
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