

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2692
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2692
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY
HOMES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the maximum number
of hours a primary caregiver may be absent from a community care
foster family home to fifty hours per week and twenty-three hours
per day; provided that a substitute caregiver is present.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Adult Foster Homecare Association of Hawaii and six
individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to
this measure from the Department of Health and one individual.

Your Committee notes that the Department of Health is not
opposed to absences of the primary caregiver but believes that the
matter of personnel and staffing of community care foster family
homes is better addressed in Department administrative rules
rather than in statute. Your Committee finds that the
Department's administrative rules currently contain a section on
the requirements of personnel and staffing of community care
foster family homes.

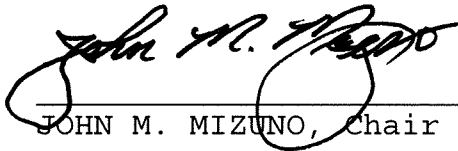


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the minimum age requirement for caregivers caring for three clients in community care foster family homes to an unspecified number of years; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2692, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2692, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



