

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2807

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2741
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2741 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEX TRAFFICKING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the Department of Human Services to establish, or contract with a victim service provider to operate or manage an emergency shelter for victims of sex trafficking, subject to available funding; and
- (2) Exempt compensation received by a victim service provider for operating a sex trafficking emergency shelter from the general excise tax.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women and IMUAlliance. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hale Kipa, Inc. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services and Hawaii Youth Services Network.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii does not have a dedicated shelter for victims of sex trafficking. This lack of an emergency shelter impedes the State's effectiveness in responding to sexual

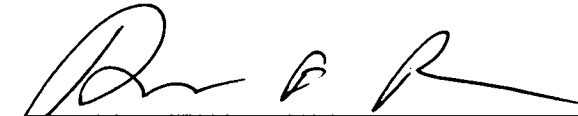


exploitation by preventing government agencies and victim service providers from establishing a coordinated continuum of care and protection for victims in a centralized location.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2741, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2741, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

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

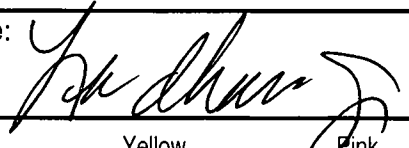


RUSSELL E. RUDERMAN, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Committee on Human Services
HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2741	Committee Referral: HMS, DC/WAM	Date: 2.10.2020		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (C)	✓			
RHOADS, Karl (VC)				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes