

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2465

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2893
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. 2893 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHRONICALLY HOMELESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the definition of "chronically homeless" to align with the federal definition and to reduce confusion among providers, communities, and private partners.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, and Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

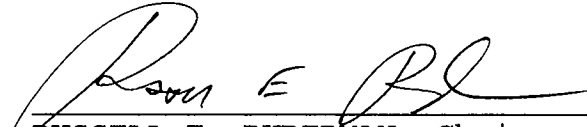
Your Committee finds that in 2015, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development issued its definition of "chronically homeless." The homeless services providers of the communities' continuum of care are required to use the definition in receipt of federal funds. Amending the State's definition of "chronically homeless" to better align with the federal agency's definition will allow more flexibility, efficiency, and consistency in the delivery of homeless services.

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. 2893, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2893, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health.

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

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2893	Committee Referral: HMS, CPA	Date: 1/31/20		
<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	4	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Karl Rhoads				
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