

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 25, 2024

RE: H.R. No. 180
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.R. No. 180 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT ON THE CULTURAL AND THERAPEUTIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AT THE KAWAIILOA YOUTH AND FAMILY WELLNESS CENTER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Human Services to report on the positive effects of cultural and therapeutic services provided by community-based organizations at the Kawaiiloa Youth and Family Wellness Center.

Your Committee received testimony in support from the Hawaii State Office of Youth Services; Partners in Development Foundation; RYSE; Opportunity Youth Action Hawaii; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that ten percent of Hawaii's homeless population is comprised of individuals under the age of eighteen years, and forty-four percent of homeless youth report having spent time in jail or a juvenile detention center. Community-based support centers for homeless or formerly incarcerated youth substantially reduce the likelihood that youth are incarcerated and experience homelessness. Your Committee further finds that



expanding State and private sector collaboration and implementing proven and effective therapeutic and cultural methods to promote youth wellness can help the State reduce homelessness and the negative effects of incarceration.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 180, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 180, H.D. 1.

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



LISA MARTEN, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 180	Committee Referral: HUS, FIN	Date: 03.21.2024		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <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)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MARTEN, Lisa (C)	✓			
2. AMATO, Terez (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. ILAGAN, Greggor	✓			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
6. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna	✓			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
8. GARCIA, Diamond	✓			
TOTAL (8)	8	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>Jay [Signature]</i>				
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