STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 244 H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 244, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide increased funding for the Department of Human Services to collaborate with contracted community-based organizations to address the need for social services in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition; Easterseals Hawaii; Hawaiii Health & Harm Reduction Center; YWCA of Kauaii; Hawaiii Youth Services Network; Parents And Children Together; Hawaiii Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations; Catholic Charities Hawaii; Community Alliance on Prisons; Hawaii True Cost Coalition; The Institute for Human Services, Inc; Aloha United Way; Child & Family Service; EPIC 'Ohana; Goodwill Hawaii; The Mediation Center of the Pacific, Inc.; Lanakila Pacific; Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc.; Partners in Development Foundation; Responsive Caregivers of Hawaii; Samaritan Counseling Center Hawaii; Spirit Horse Ranch; YMCA of Honolulu; AlohaCare; Partners in Care - Oʻahu Continuum of Care; Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks!; Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Share Your Mana; Hawaii

Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice; U.S.VETS Wai'anae; and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services and Hawaii Coalition for Child Protective Reform.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 244, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

ac. The

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

HB244, HDI	Committee Referral: HSH FIN		Date: 2 24	2K
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Aye	s Ayes (W	R) Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)				
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)				
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada				
4. HOLT, Daniel			***************************************	
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6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L				
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa				
8. KUSCH, Matthias				
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				
10. LEE, Mike 11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.		Panuline (Karasarana)		
12. MORIKAWA, Dee				
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann				
14. ALCOS III, David				
15. REYES ODA, Julie	1000			
16. WARD, Gene	HIII HAR SAA YASIN MUMIII MARSASI SARYA			5#2 IIII
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TOTAL (16)	13	0	0	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, committee acronym(s) Not Adopted did not support recommendation				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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