

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

963

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2025

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RE: H.B. No. 613

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. 613, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Make the Safe Spaces for Youth Pilot Program a permanent program within the Office of Youth Services; and
- (2) Provide funding for a permanent Safe Spaces for Youth Program within the Office of Youth Services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services; Office of the Public Defender; Hawai'i State Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Plus Commission; Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition; Hawai'i Health & Harm Reduction Center; Hawai'i Youth Services Network; Pride at Work - Hawai'i; Imua Alliance; Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Rainbow Family 808; Opportunity for Youth Action Hawai'i; and nine individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Office of Youth Services.

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. 613, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



