STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1537

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 29 , 2007

RE: H.R. No. 151

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Housing, to which was referred H.R. No. 151 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF LANGUAGE ACCESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Governor to establish the Office of Language Access (Office) to provide accessible language services to limited English proficient persons. The Office was created and funded by the Legislature in Act 290 during the Regular Session of 2006, but the funds have not yet been released nor the Office established.

Na Loio - Immigrant Rights and Public Interest Legal Center testified in support of this resolution. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 151, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

KARL RHOADS, Acting Chair and Vice Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Housing

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 151	Date:	122/07	337001525	
Committee Referral:				
HSH, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
□ Hold	 Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration 			
HSH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L. (C)				
2. RHOADS, Karl (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	····			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				
6. GREEN, Josh, M.D.				
7. MIZUNO, John				
8. TAKAI, K. Mark				
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
10. AWANA, Karen Leinani				
11. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.				
TOTAL	8	0	0	3
Vice Chair's or designee's signature	mmittee acronym(did not suppo (s)	ort recommendation	1.
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