STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1782

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 1 3 2007

RE: S.R. No. 78

S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, to which was referred S.R. No. 78 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BREASTFEEDING MOTHERS' BILL OF RIGHTS OFFERED AS SENATE BILL NO. 1674 AND ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 3782 IN THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote breastfeeding rights and tolerance.

Specifically, this measure supports the Breastfeeding Mothers' Bill of Rights that is being offered before the New York State Legislature as Senate Bill No. 1674 and Assembly Bill No. 3782.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawai'i. The International Formula Council submitted comments.

Your Committee finds that there are two measures before the New York State Legislature that propose the adoption of a statement of rights, known as the Breastfeeding Mothers' Bill of Rights. The measures provide mothers with basic breastfeeding-related rights before, during, and after the birth of their babies; require that the statement of rights be conspicuously posted in a public place in maternal health care facilities, nurseries, maternity floors, and post-delivery recovery rooms; and

require assistance from lactation specialists in the hospital and after discharge.

This measure was amended by amending the first two whereas clauses to more accurately reflect the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the scientific data regarding the benefits of breastfeeding.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 78, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 78, S.D. 1.

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

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Human Services and Public Housing HSP

Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 78	Committee Referral:			Date: 4 - 12 - 07	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)		V			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)					
HOOSER, Gary L.		V			
SAKAMOTO, Norman					
HEMMINGS, Fred					/
TOTAL		3	0	0	2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: () Allange					
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