STAND. COM. REP. NO. 409

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 15, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 524 H.D. 1

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.B. No. 524 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to provide foster youth who are subject to a permanent plan the opportunity to participate in permanent plan hearings.

The Legal Aid Society of Hawaii and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services (DHS) supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that DHS is only required to arrange for transportation, rather than provide transportation; and
- (2)Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 524, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 524, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Housing

Bill/Resolution No.: 月B 524	Date:	2/12/07			
Committee Referral: HSH, JUD	The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended					
☐ 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	/	37-1100000000			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/_				
10. AWANA, Karen Leinani					
11. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	1				
TOTAL	11				
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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