STAND. COM. REP. NO. 342

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 5 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1518

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

Madam President:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 1518 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY COURT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase fees for courtappointed counsel and guardian ad litem in family court cases and to require the Judiciary to provide the Department of Budget and Finance with fee related information so that the department can approve the necessary vouchers.

Your Committee received testimony from the Family Court in support of the bill. Your Committee also received testimony from the Department of Budget and Finance who took no position on the fees but opposed the transfer of payment and budget functions to Budget and Finance. The Family Court testified that they were aware of Budget and Finance's opposition to section (c) of the bill but had not been able to meet with the Department of Budget and Finance to resolve this problem. She agreed with the committee that section (c) remain in the bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1518 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor,

V

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: Date: 2/12/07				
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
HEE, Clayton (C)				
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				
GABBARD, Mike			Necklook (normale) alebitar	
TOTAL	5			\bigcirc
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
Distribution: Original Yellow Pink File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency				

*Only one measure per Record of Votes