

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1371

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Ajlz , 2009  
RE: H.C.R. No. 135

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred  
H.C.R. No. 135 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT  
OF ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM OF JUVENILE INTAKE AND ASSESSMENT  
CENTERS, AS EMBODIED BY THE PROPOSED PILOT BIG ISLAND  
JUVENILE INTAKE AND ASSESSMENT CENTER, THROUGHOUT THE STATE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to assist in the  
provision of safety and supervisory services for delinquent and  
at-risk youth in an integrated and cost-effective manner by  
expressing the Legislature's support of the proposed pilot Big  
Island Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center.

The Hawaii County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, the  
Prosecuting Attorney for Hawaii County, and the Mayor of Hawaii  
County supported this concurrent resolution.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 250 (2006) requested the  
Hawaii County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney to conduct a  
feasibility study on the establishment of receiving homes in East  
and West Hawaii to coordinate intake procedures and service  
delivery in a streamlined and cost-effective manner. In response,  
the Hawaii County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney issued its  
"Report on the Feasibility of Establishing Receiving Homes in East  
and West Hawaii County," proposing the Big Island Juvenile Intake  
and Assessment Center, which would provide a critically needed



single point of entry for the intake, assessment, and case management of delinquent and at-risk youth.

While it is clear that the current fiscal climate excludes the possibility of immediately funding this pilot program, your Committee emphasizes that the Legislature's affirmation of the program's merits and its benefits for Hawaii's communities will provide Hawaii County with a powerful tool to attract new partners and independently secure sources of funding that may not otherwise be available.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 135 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO Chair



