

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1412

Honolulu, Hawaii

Apr-12, 2009

RE: H.R. No. 125

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.R. No. 125 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES TO ENCOURAGE THEIR PARENT CLIENTS TO TURN ON CLOSED CAPTIONING WHEN THEIR CHILDREN WATCH TELEVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to urge public and private agencies to encourage their parent clients to encourage reading by having their children use closed captioning while they watch television.

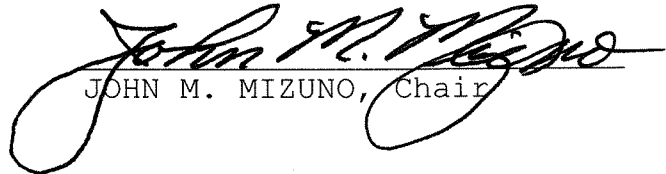
Your Committee notes that children of all ages have increasingly reduced their time reading books. Nowadays, they watch an average of two to four hours of television per day. The pictures and sounds of television have captured their attention and imagination. Unfortunately, this restricts the medium of reading as a learning tool. But, closed captioning allows for both television and reading to collaborate as learning tools for children.

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.R. No. 125 and recommends its adoption.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



