

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1015

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 19, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 851
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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 S.B. No. 851, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to bring the Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) into compliance with federal law and to increase agency efficiency by:

- (1) Clarifying that all income withholding payments be sent to CSEA or another state's enforcement agency;
- (2) Requiring the custodial parent to elect to receive child support payments through an electronic benefits transfer system or direct deposit and if such election is not made, allowing CSEA to determine a method that complies with Title IV-D;
- (3) Allowing an electronic copy or facsimile of a signature on certified mailers to serve as proof of service for certified mail;
- (4) Clarifying that child support enforcement agencies other than CSEA may enforce a child support lien;



- (5) Requiring payment to an entity seeking to enforce a child support lien once that entity has complied with State procedural rules; and
- (6) Requiring CSEA to use only the last four digits of the obligor's social security number.

The Department of Human Services and the State Attorney General supported this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; 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 that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 851, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 851, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



