Honolulu, Hawaii

Ta-30, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 29

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 29 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEAD HUMAN BODIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure the ethical treatment of human body remains by requiring a permit from the Department of Health (DOH) to commercially display dead human bodies.

Several concerned individuals supported this bill. DOH submitted comments.

Your Committee agrees that safeguards should be instituted to prevent the misuse of human body remains. However, your committee recognizes DOH's concerns that the establishment of a permitting process to regulate exhibitions containing human body remains may be better placed within an agency such as the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 29 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

RYAN I. YAMAME, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Referral: Date:		
НВ 29	HLT, JUD, FIN 27 JAN 2009			
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)				
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2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				,
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III				
5. BROWER, Tom				
6. CARROLL, Mele				
7. MIZUNO, John M.				
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				
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9. FINNEGAN, Lynn				γ (2 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
TOTAL (9)	5	1		3
The recommendation is: Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 7.2				
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