STAND. COM. REP. NO. **260**

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe413, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 724

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.B. No. 724 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to modify some of the State's income tax "check off" provisions.

Specifically, the measure broadens taxpayers' choices when donating a portion of their tax refund to the Hawaii Children's Trust Fund, and the domestic violence and sexual assault special funds within the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Judiciary.

Under current law, an individual taxpayer with a state income tax refund of \$5 or more may designate \$5 of the refund to be donated to the Hawaii Children's Trust Fund, the domestic violence and sexual assault special fund of the Department of Health, the spouse and child abuse special account of the Department of Human Services, and the spouse and child abuse special account of the Judiciary. This measure would amend the law by allowing an individual taxpayer with a state income tax refund of \$8 or more to designate either \$5 or \$8 of the refund for donation.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the Domestic Violence Action Center, and Oahu VOICES.

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The Tax Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments.

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 H.B. No. 724 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

TOHN M. MIZUNG

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fifth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 724	Committee		ļ.	Date: 02/09/09	
#B 724 HuS, FIN 02104109 ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: A Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Tom Brown					
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