Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE:

H.B. No. 758

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S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 758, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND SERVICES FOR THE BLIND DIVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide funding to the Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division of the Department of Human Services to upgrade equipment and facilities for the Hoopono program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Ronalene White, Vice President, Anuenue Chapter, National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii. Your Committee received comments on this measure from Patricia McManaman, Director, Department of Human Services.

Your Committee finds that the appropriation in this measure will enable the Hoopono program to upgrade its equipment and facilities to provide services for the blind and visually-impaired that assist participants in attaining maximum vocational and functional independence, such as becoming proficient with the long cane and other skills.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the amount of the appropriation and the amount of general obligation bonds that the Director of Finance is authorized to issue to unspecified sums.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 758, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 758, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID Y LIGE Chair

The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
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The Recommendation is:					
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