STAND. COM. REP. NO. **553** -12

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 17 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2547 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2547 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$70,124.05 for the Department of Human Services to pay attorneys' fees and to reimburse the Department's General Support for Health Care Payments budget for payments made to those attorneys.

For purposes of a public hearing on this bill, your Committee circulated a proposed draft, and notified the public that it would be accepting testimony on the proposal, which makes an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$736,478 for the Department of Human Services to fund general assistance payments to address a budget shortfall in the General Assistance Program.

The Department of Human Services, Attorney General, and Phocused testified in support of the proposed draft.

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in Article VII, Section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Governor, in his Governor's Message No. 211 to the House of Representatives, requested immediate consideration and passage of this bill. Your Committee has amended this measure, as introduced, by:

- (1) Adopting the proposed draft, which replaces the contents with an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$736,478 for the Department of Human Services to fund general assistance payments to address a budget shortfall in the General Assistance Program; 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 H.B. No. 2547, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2547, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

JOHN M. MIZUNO

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

	ee Referral:	Date	Teb 13, 7	2012
☐ 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)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)				
2. JORDAN, Jo (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.	V			
5. LEE, Chris				
6. MORIKAWA, Dee				
7. WOOLEY, Jessica				
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.				
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.				
10. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				V
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TOTAL (10)	7		,,,,,,	3
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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