

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2269  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B.  
No. 2269 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO BEST BUDDIES  
INTERNATIONAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds as a grant to Best Buddies International, Inc., for the purposes of expanding Best Buddies Hawaii chapters on the islands of Maui and Oahu and to provide valuable support to youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; the State Council on Developmental Disabilities; Best Buddies International, Inc.; Best Buddies Hawaii; Best Buddies Oahu Advisory Board; Best Buddies Maui Chapter; Lokelani 'Ohana; and ten individuals.

Your Committee finds that Best Buddies has been a very successful program that provides opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to engage in one-on-one interactions, establish long-lasting friendships, and participate in social networking. This measure will provide Best Buddies Hawaii with funding to expand its program to the islands of Maui and Oahu.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2269, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2269, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

*Suzanne Chun Oakland*

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Human Services**  
**HMS**

\*Only one measure per Record of Votes