STAND. COM. REP. NO. **228**6

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2435

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. 2435 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION ACCESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for the Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division of the Department of Human Services to contract for a telephone-based service to provide access to timely print media.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, the Disability and Communication Access Board, and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that it is essential for individuals who are print disabled to have access to certain print media through audible or other mechanisms. Print-disabled clients include but are not limited to clients who have blindness and visual impairments or learning disabilities. This measure will appropriate funds to the Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division to contract out for services that provide audible information access services to this population.

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. 2435 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Human Services HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:*  SR 2435	Committee Referral: Date: 2-14-12				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
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IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)					
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Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:  A Algua T.					
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