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Honolulu, Hawaii Elopuany 78 , 2013

RE: H.B. No. 129 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

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Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 129 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD WITNESS TESTIMONY," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish procedures to permit alternative methods for taking the testimony of a minor child in criminal, non-criminal, and administrative proceedings.

The Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, the Honolulu Police Department, the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Kauai, and the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation supported the measure. The Office of the Public Defender opposed the measure. The Judiciary offered comments.

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

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 129, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 129, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary,

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KARL RHOADS, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

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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 recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)	X			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	× ×			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	Ϋ́,			
4. BROWER, Tom	X			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				X
6. CARROLL, Mele				×
7. ITO, Ken	X			/
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X			
9. LEE, Chris	X			
10. TSUJI, Clift	X			
11. WOOLEY, Jessica	Γ χ			
12. MCDERMOTT, Bob	X			
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	X			
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TOTAL (13)	N			2
The recommendation is: Adopted If Not Adopted did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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