Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.B. No. 2227

H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support ongoing efforts to improve access to government services and programs for limited English proficient individuals by appropriating funds to operate the Statewide Language Access Resource Center and the Multilingual Website Pilot Project.

The Ethnic Education Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Friends of Civil Rights, Filipinos for Affirmative Action, and three individuals testified in support of this measure. The Office of Language Access and one individual provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2227, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

HB2227 HD2	Committee Referral: HLT, LAB, FIN		Date: 03/01/16		
☐ 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)					
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (W	/R)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)					
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)					
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.					
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.					
5. DeCOITE, Lynn					-
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling					
7. JORDAN, Jo					
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett					
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand					
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.					
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.					
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.		_			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane					
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.					
15. POUHA, Feki	/				
16. WARD, Gene					
TOTAL (16)	- /5				(
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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