STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii **February 20**, 2015 RE: H.B. No. 763 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 763 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELDERLY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve and maintain the health of the elderly population by establishing a three-year senior playground pilot program. Your Committee finds that designing these playgrounds as fitness parks would enable seniors to stay active and improve their dexterity and balance, resulting in a reduced propensity to suffer a fall.

The Maui County Office on Aging and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Executive Office on Aging opposed the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- Establishing at least one senior playground in a single county, but allowing for the expansion of senior playgrounds to other counties; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate discussion.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 763, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 763, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-eighth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

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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 to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) 				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)				
2. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)			- 	
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				
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4. JORDAN, Jo				
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
6. MORIKAWA, Dee			· · · ·	
7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				···
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth				
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
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TOTAL (9)	. 9		, 1	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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