STAND. COM. REP. NO. 145 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2018 MAR 15

S.B. No. 2790 RE:

> S.D. 2 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2790, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide greater rights for children in foster care. Specifically, this measure replaces the quiding principles for children in foster care under the Child Protective Act with the rights of children in foster care, which preserves the current rights of children in foster care and provides certain additional rights.

The Judiciary; Department of Human Services; Department of Education; Hawaii Youth Services Network; Catholic Charities Hawai'i; EPIC 'Ohana, Inc.; Hawaii Children's Action Network; Family Programs Hawaii; Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to (1) facilitate further discussion; and

(2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2790, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2790, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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

Chair

JOHN M. MIZUNO,



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee SB 2790, SD2 HH.	e Referral: ろ _, 丁∪ D,i	FIN Date	: 3-13-	-18
☐ 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)				
HHS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)	V			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au			4.5	
4. LEARMONT, Lei R.				<u></u>
T. EEARHOUI, EE R.				
5. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
TOTAL (5)	5			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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