

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2020

RE: H.B. No. 2420  
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2420, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the jurisdiction of the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Clarifies the intent for a state law counterpart for disability discrimination in federally-funded programs and services; and
- (2) Excludes jurisdiction over programs or activities that are covered by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission, Disability and Communication Access Board, Hawaii Disability Rights Center, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii has a long history of enacting state civil rights protections that complement and provide stronger protections than federal law. Your Committee



further finds that Hawaii's civil rights laws, including those analogous to federal law, are critically important because the State's civil rights values and priorities may not match federal interpretations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of 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. 2420, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2420, H.D. 2.

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



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The THIRTIETH Legislature

HJR 180-20

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 2420 HDI	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HSH, JUD	<b>Date:</b> 2/26/20		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)	/			
2. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (VC)	/			
3. BROWER, Tom	/			
4. CREAGAN, Richard P.				/
5. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/			
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				/
7. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	/			
8. PERRUSO, Amy A.	/			
9. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	/			
10. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	/			
11. YAMANE, Ryan I.				/
12. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
<b>TOTAL (12)</b>	9			3
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b>				
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