STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2907

Honolulu, Hawaii

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S.B. No. 2893 RE:

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2020 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2893, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHRONICALLY HOMELESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the State's definition of "chronically homeless" to better align with the federal definition and improve the delivery and development of homeless services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Coordinator on Homelessness under the Office of the Governor and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

Your Committee finds that in 2015, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development issued its definition of "chronically homeless". Amending the State's definition of "chronically homeless" to better align with the federal agency's definition will allow more flexibility, efficiency, and consistency in the delivery of homeless services, ensuring that homeless individuals with the highest level of need in the community are able to receive appropriate services.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2893, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health CPH

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (W	(R) I	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)		✓				
CHANG, Stanley (VC)		V				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.						V
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		\				
THIELEN, Laura H.		V				
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