STAND. COM. REP. NO. 128

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 24 , 2021

RE: H.C.R. No. 11 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 11 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY MISSING AND MURDERED NATIVE HAWAIIAN WOMEN AND GIRLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women to convene a task force to study missing and murdered Native Hawaiian women and girls.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary, Department of Health, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women, Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!, Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii, and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that indigenous women and girls have a greater risk of becoming the victims of violence than any other population in the United States and are particularly vulnerable to sex trafficking and other forms of violent crimes. Your Committee further finds that in a 2018 survey of victims of sex trafficking conducted by the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women in partnership with Arizona State University, seventy-seven percent of the victims were Native Hawaiian; a subsequent study conducted



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in 2019 found that sixty-four percent of the victims were Native Hawaiian. Additionally, your Committee finds that from 2017 to 2019, one out of every three child sex trafficking victims reported to the Child Welfare Services child sex trafficking hotline were Native Hawaiian, and ninety-five percent of the victims were girls.

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 Health, Human Services, & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 11, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 11, H.D. 1.

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

RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 11	Committee Referral: HHH, JHA		Date: 312312021	
The committee is reconsidering its prev	vious 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) 				
HHH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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2. TAM, Adrian K. (VC)				
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3. GATES, Cedric Asuega			·····	
4. HAR, Sharon E.				
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5. KAI ELA, Jeanne				
6. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	<u> </u>		an a	
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8. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (8)	1			1
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral,				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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