STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3400

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 151

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred S.R. No. 151 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT ON THE CULTURAL AND THERAPEUTIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AT THE KAWAILOA YOUTH AND FAMILY WELLNESS CENTER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Human Services to report on the cultural and therapeutic services provided by community-based organizations at the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Opportunity Youth Action Hawai'i.

Your Committee finds that ten percent of the State's homeless population is comprised of individuals under the age of eighteen years, and that forty-four percent of homeless youth report having spent time in jail or a juvenile detention center. Your Committee further finds that state-sponsored working groups and recent reports have show that community-based support centers substantially reduce the likelihood that youth are incarcerated or experience homelessness. This measure requests informative reports on the positive effects of services provided by Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center, where members of the Opportunity Youth Action Hawai'i partner with state and nonprofit agencies to



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transform punitive modalities of treatment and incarceration with effective therapeutic community-based programs. These reports will assist the state in expanding state and private sector collaboration to implement effective therapeutic and cultural methods that will promote youth wellness and reduce youth homelessness and the negative effects of incarceration.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health and Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 151 and recommends its adoption.

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

BUENAVENTURA, Chair



The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Health and Human Services HHS

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SR 151	HHS			03/22/2024	
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 (WR) Nay	Excused
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)		<i>、</i>			
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (VC)					
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett		/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.					
AWA, Brenton					/
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TOTAL		3			
Recommendation:					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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