

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 37

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and
Health and Human Services, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 37
entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO COLLABORATE WITH RELEVANT AGENCIES TO
DEVELOP INITIATIVES AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO INFORM KUPUNA
ABOUT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Hawaii Emergency Management Agency to collaborate with relevant
agencies to develop initiatives and outreach programs to inform
kupuna about emergency preparedness.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency, AARP Hawaii,
AlohaCare, Hawai'i Family Caregiver Coalition, Hui O Hau'ula, Pearl
City Neighborhood Board No. 21, and four individuals.

Your Committees find that kupuna, or senior citizens, are a
particularly vulnerable population in the event of a disaster.
Many kupuna do not know how to tell if they must evacuate or if
they are better off sheltering in place, and some do not have
familiarity with or access to technology to notify them about what
to do in a disaster. Accordingly, this measure requests the
Hawaii Emergency Management Agency to work together with
appropriate county level agencies to create outreach programs to



educate elderly community members on disaster preparedness to enhance the safety and welfare of kupuna and their caregivers during an emergency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Health and Human Services that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 37, and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety and
Military Affairs and Health and
Human Services,



JOY A. SIN BUENAVENTURA, Chair

BRANDON J.C. ELEFANTE, Chair

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HCR 37	Committee Referral: PSM/HHS	Date: 4/11/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)	✓			
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (VC)	✓			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	✓			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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