

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3092

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2340
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2340, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities who meet an intermediate care facility or nursing facility level of care shall not be denied residency in a licensed community care foster family home solely because of their disability or enrollment in a specific Medicaid waiver program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Disability and Communication Access Board, Hawai'i Self-Advocacy Advisory Council, Aloha Independent Living Hawaii, Hawaii Disability Rights Center, and six individuals.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services and Developmental Disabilities Division of the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that community care foster family homes provide an important service for individuals who need twenty-four hour support. Currently, individuals with intellectual and



developmental disabilities who are enrolled in a Medicaid intellectual disabilities home and community-based services (HCBS I/DD) waiver program, and wish to reside in a community care foster family home must disenroll from and transition into the Medicaid Section 1115 Waiver Program. This requirement disrupts continuity of care and may cause the loss of essential, individualized services. This measure will eliminate this requirement, ensuring that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities may remain enrolled in the HCBS I/DD waiver program and continue to receive the specialized care that they need.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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 S.B. No. 2340, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2340, S.D. 2.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2340 SD1	Committee Referral: HHS, JDC	Date: 2/27/26		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	5	—	—	—
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes