

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2343

H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to bring state law into alignment with changes to the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant, Public Law 113-186. The Child Care and Development Block Grant requirements ensure the health, safety, and well-being of children served under the grant, including by requiring the Department of Human Services (Department) to establish minimum health and safety requirements for licensed and registered child care providers as well as other persons who provide care to a child whose family receives a child care subsidy from the Department.

The Department, Hawaii Children's Action Network, Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children, and an individual supported this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the proposed language requiring the Department to maintain records of resolution of only substantiated complaints for every child care facility; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 2.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



