

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2530
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2530 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure, as received by your Committee is to ensure that Hawaii's child care providers offer a safe environment along with a high level of care for Hawaii's children by:

- (1) Establishing a misdemeanor offense for violation by licensed group child care homes or centers of state laws pertaining to child safety that result in injury or death of a child; and
- (2) Requiring the immediate revocation of a child care provider's license or temporary permit upon conviction of the misdemeanor charge and prohibiting its reinstatement, thereafter.

Prior to the public hearing your Committee circulated and received testimony on a Proposed H.D. 1. The purpose of the Proposed H.D. 1 is to balance access to affordable regulated child care with insurance coverage requirements for child care providers and to give the Department of Human Services additional time to



develop and implement a compliance process to verify that a regulated child care provider maintains liability insurance. Specifically, the Proposed H.D. 1:

- (1) Eliminates the requirement that the Department of Human Services determine the amount of liability insurance regulated child care providers must obtain; and
- (2) Delays the reporting requirements on issues related to liability insurance requirements for child care providers and the implementation and enforcement of liability insurance requirements.

The Honolulu Police Department and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of the original intent of this measure.

The Department of Human Services testified in support of the Proposed H.D. 1.

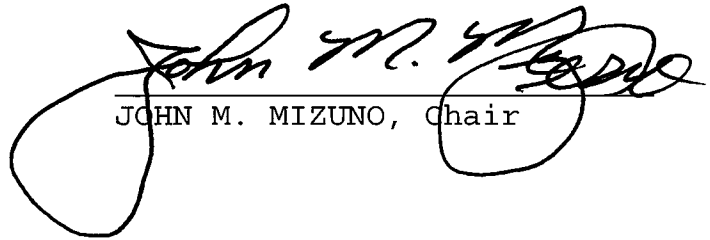
Upon further consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by adopting the language contained in the Proposed H.D. 1. Additionally, your Committee has amended the measure further by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2530, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2530, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



