

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 899-20

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28, 2020

RE: H.B. No. 2550

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2550, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FAMILY COURT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage a reduction in the number of remands to the Family Court by:

- (1) Making appeals from Family Court orders appealable directly to the Hawaii Supreme Court instead of the Intermediate Court of Appeals; and
- (2) Requiring the Hawaii Supreme Court to render a final decision on appeals from Family Court orders within one hundred eighty days of its receipt of the appeal.


Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Judiciary and one individual.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2550, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

HB2550 HD1 HSCR FIN HMS 2020-1467



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



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SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The THIRTIETH Legislature

HSCR 899-20

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 2550, HD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> JUD, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 2-25-2020		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>FIN Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	✓			
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)	✓			
3. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.	✓			
4. GATES, Cedric Asuega	✓			
5. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	✓			
6. HOLT, Daniel	✓			
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa	✓			
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
9. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.	✓			
10. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
12. TODD, Chris	✓			
13. WILDBERGER, Tina	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. McDERMOTT, Bob	✓			
<b>TOTAL (15)</b>	15	∅	∅	∅
<b>The recommendation is:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
	If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)			
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b>	<i>Ty J.K. Cullen</i>			
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