

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 538
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 538 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to help persons who are victimized by domestic violence by requiring telecommunication service providers to release an individual from a shared or family wireless plan and arrange for alternate service without any charges or fees if the individual submits a written request and documentation of instances of domestic violence.

The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women; the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence; the American Association of University Women of Hawaii; the Domestic Violence Action Center; the Hawaii Women's Coalition; PHOCUSED; and several individuals submitted testimony in support of the measure. The Community Alliance on Prisons submitted testimony providing comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making the effective date July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion.

HB538 HD1 HSCR HUS HMS 2015-1533



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 538, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 538, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



State of Hawaii
 House of Representatives
 The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 538 | Committee Referral: HUS, CPC, JVD | Date: 2-3-15 | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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) | | | | |
| HUS Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. MORIKAWA, Dee (C) | / | | | |
| 2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC) | / | | | |
| 3. BELATTI, Della Au | / | | | |
| 4. CARROLL, Mel | | | | |
| 5. CREAGAN, Richard P. | / | | | |
| 6. HASHEM, Mark J. | | | | / |
| 7. JORDAN, Jo | / | | | |
| 8. OSHIRO, Marcus R. | | | | / |
| 9. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth | | | | / |
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| TOTAL (9) | 5 | | | 3 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div> | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>BJ Kepi</i> _____ | | | | |
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