

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 26, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2350
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2350, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOSTER CHILDREN,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Update certain statutory references for "foster boarding home" to "resource family home" and "foster parents" to "resource caregivers";
- (2) Establish qualified immunity from liability for resource caregivers and child caring institutions that authorize a child's participation in activities pursuant to the reasonable and prudent parent standard;
- (3) Add the requirement that resource caregivers and child care institutions use the reasonable and prudent parent

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standard when authorizing children in foster care to participate in extracurricular, enrichment, cultural, and social activities; and

- (4) Require courts, in proceedings for children aged fourteen years or older, to make findings and include in the permanent plan the services needed to assist the child to transition from foster care to independent living.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the purpose section to clarify the intent of the measure;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2016; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2350, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2350, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

Suzanne Chun Oakland

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Dee Morikawa

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Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.
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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne, Chr.	✓				MORIKAWA, Dee, Co-Chr.	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C., Co-Chr.	✓				RHOADS, Karl, Co-Chr.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓				KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
					POUHA, Feki	✓			
TOTAL	3	0	0	0	TOTAL	4	0	0	0

A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Suzanne Chun Oakland</i>	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>JA</i>
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