

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 24, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 523
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 523, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO 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 bill is to support foster children by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Human Services (DHS) to ensure that the provision of care to foster children is within certain guiding principles; and
- (2) Authorizing the Family Court to issue orders to the Department of Education, DHS, or the Department of Health to ensure adherence to these guiding principles.



Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Family Court may issue necessary orders upon any appropriate motion and not just upon the motion of a guardian ad litem; and
- (2) 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. 523, 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. 523, 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



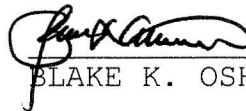
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



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Hawaii State Legislature

Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

CCR 63-08

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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.
- The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure
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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne, Chr.	✓				SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L., Co-Chr.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T., Co-Chr.	✓				OSHIRO, Blake K., Co-Chr.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓	MIZUNO, John	✓			
					RHOADS, Karl	✓			
					CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
TOTAL	2	0	0	1	TOTAL	4	0	0	1

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>[Signature]</i>
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