

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 541 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Feb 17, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 1836  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which  
was referred H.B. No. 1836 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERINARIANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to reduce animal overpopulation,  
especially in the rural areas of Hawaii, by allowing out-of-state  
veterinarians who are licensed in good standing by another state  
to obtain a temporary veterinary license to perform veterinary  
services in Hawaii.

A member of the Hawaii County Council, the Executive Director  
of the County of Hawaii, and numerous other concerned individuals  
testified in support of this bill. The Hawaiian Humane Society  
supported the intent of the bill. The Board of Veterinary  
Examiners opposed the measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill after consulting with  
various stakeholders. As amended, this bill:

- (1) Allows veterinarians licensed in good standing in  
another state to obtain a temporary permit to practice  
veterinary medicine;
- (2) Limits the veterinary services that a permit holder may  
perform; and

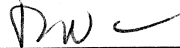
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- (3) Requires services under a permit to be performed in conjunction with a non-profit organization or government agency providing animal management services.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1836, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1836, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Consumer  
Protection & Commerce,



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ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



