

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 3126

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 3126 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RAPID IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that a person's right to choose not to receive resuscitative treatment is adhered to by:

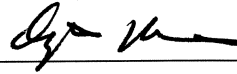
- (1) Amending the Rapid Identification Documents law by deleting the requirement that the notification be in the form of a bracelet;
- (2) Adopting the use of a certified, written document that informs medical staff of a person's wishes; and
- (3) Allowing a lawfully appointed guardian, agent, or surrogate to act on a patient's behalf when directing medical staff to provide comfort care only.

The Department of Health, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Association, Hawaiian Islands Hospice Organization, Hospice Hawaii, North Hawaii Community Hospital, Inc., Kokua Mau, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children, and several concerned individuals supported this bill.



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. 3126 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



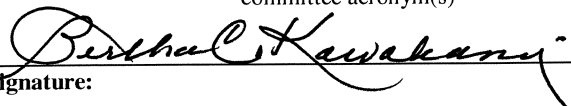
DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-third Legislature

HSCR 854-06

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 3126		Date: 3-1-06		
Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (C)	✓			
2. KAWAKAMI, Bertha C. (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
4. CHONG, Pono	✓			
5. EVANS, Cindy				✓
6. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
7. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
8. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
10. TANAKA, Kameo	✓			
11. TSUJI, Clift				✓
12. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MEYER, Colleen Rose				✓
16. MOSES, Mark S.		✓		
17. PINE, Kymberly	✓			
18. STEVENS, Anne V.	✓			
TOTAL	14	1		3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – HMSO Duplicate (Pink) – Clerk's Office				