STAND. COM. REP. NO. 203

Honolulu, Hawaii

FOD. 14

, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2348

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2348 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR PANDEMIC INFLUENZA PREPAREDNESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate additional funds for preparation of a possible influenza pandemic.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Defense, Department of Health, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and Hawaii Medical Association.

Your Committee realizes the urgent need to adequately prepare for an influenza pandemic and protect the people of Hawaii. Committee has adopted this measure at the suggestion of national and international experts who believe that the H5N1 strain of avian influenza, which has spread through Asia and parts of eastern Europe, could become a pandemic for which early preparation is crucial.

Your Committee finds that this measure is for the benefit of public health and safety.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2348 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



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

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health (Bills and Resolutions)

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is to:						
Pass, unamended (2312)	Pass, with amendments (2311)		Hold Recommit (2310) (2313)			
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