

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

879

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1721

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1721 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLENCE AGAINST EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect emergency medical services personnel from harm by adding the commission of violence or the threat of violence against emergency medical services personnel to the offenses of assault in the second degree and terroristic threatening in the first degree.

The Honolulu Emergency Services Department, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Office of the Public Defender opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by changing the effective date to January 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1721, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1721, H.D. 1.

HB1721 HD1 HSCR JUD HMS 2007-2532



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

*Tommy Waters*

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TOMMY WATERS Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 1721		<b>Date:</b> 2/22/7		
<b>Committee Referral:</b> HLT, JUD		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommitment for further consideration				
<b>JUD Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. WATERS, Tommy (C)	✓			
2. OSHIRO, Blake K. (VC)				✓
3. CALDWELL, Kirk				✓
4. EVANS, Cindy				✓
5. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	✓			
6. ITO, Ken	✓			
7. LUKE, Sylvia				✓
8. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				✓
10. SONSON, Alex M.				✓
11. SOUKI, Joseph M.	✓			
12. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
16. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
17. THIELEN, Cynthia				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> 				
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