

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1867-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

April, 2008

RE: H.C.R. No. 164

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Legislative Management, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 164 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF ACT 226, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2007, ON NURSE AIDES WHO ARE EMPLOYED IN STATE-CERTIFIED OR STATE-LICENSED HEALTH CARE SETTINGS TO PROVIDE A BASIS FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO DECIDE WHETHER TO AMEND ACT 226, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2007,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to safeguard consumer safety by requesting the Auditor to conduct a comprehensive study on the impact of Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, on nurse aides employed in state-licensed or state-certified health care settings.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and Hawaii Long Term Care Association testified in support of this measure. The American Red Cross, Hawaii State Chapter, offered comments.

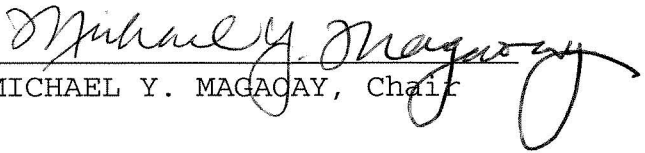
Act 226 provided a means for nurse aides to be certified. However, it did not address the cost of recertification and competency evaluations which can range from \$250 to \$400. Therefore, this measure requests the Auditor to study, among other things, the possibility of identifying other sources of funding to pay for these costs.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Legislative Management that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 164 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Legislative
Management,


MICHAEL Y. MAGAOAY, Chair



