

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3323**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2366
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2366, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ORGAN DONOR REGISTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the number of potential organ donors in Hawaii.

Specifically, this measure establishes a statewide organ donor registry within the Department of Health to compile organ donor information into a centralized database and make the information available to family members and physicians. The measure also allows the Director of Health to contract for the establishment of the organ donor registry and appropriates an unspecified amount for the establishment of the registry.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Organ Donor Center of Hawaii, Congress of Visayan Organizations, Filipino American Citizens League, National Federation of Filipino American Associations, Nursing Advocates & Mentors, Inc., Philippine Nurses Association, United Filipino Council of Hawaii, Filipino Coalition of Solidarity, Case Management Professionals, Inc., AIM Healthcare Institute, and three concerned individuals.

Your Committee finds that the number of people awaiting organ transplants in Hawaii exceeds the number of available donor organs. In addition, the number of registered organ donors has declined over the past few years. As a result, more people are

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dying or are being removed from the organ transplant waitlist because they have become too sick to receive a transplant. Your Committee finds that this measure will help to increase the registration of potential organ donors and reduce the organ shortage in this State. Accordingly, your Committee supports the establishment of a statewide organ donor registry.

Furthermore, your Committee acknowledges that the Department of Health, along with a consortium of organizations, including the Organ Donor Center of Hawaii, has applied for a federal grant to assist in the establishment of the statewide organ donor registry. For this reason, an appropriation from the general fund may not be necessary.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2366, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

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<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
MENOR, Ron				/
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
WHALEN, Paul	/			
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