

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1421  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 1421  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHAPTER 460, HAWAII REVISED  
STATUTES, OSTEOPATHY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the regulatory law  
regarding osteopathy.

Specifically, this measure, among other things, would:

- (1) Allow the Board of Medical Examiners (BME) to issue an educational teaching license to an osteopathic physician who is not licensed in this State and who is invited by the chief of service of a clinical department of a hospital to provide and promote professional education;
- (2) Allow the BME to issue a limited or temporary license to an osteopathic physician to maintain patient services for the purpose of substituting for another licensed osteopath in this State who is participating in specialized training at an out-of-state fully accredited medical teaching institution;
- (3) Require every osteopathy physician attending or treating certain wounds caused by violence or sustained in a suspicious or unusual manner or in certain motor vehicle collisions, or whenever the case is treated in a



hospital, clinic, or other institution the manager, superintendent, or person in charge, to report to the county chief of police certain information about the person sustaining the injury and the nature of the injury;

- (4) Allow a pathologist or any licensed osteopathic physician to conduct a postmortem examination upon written consent of specified persons who have custody of the body for purposes of burial;
- (5) Allow abortions to be performed by licensed osteopathic physicians in a licensed hospital; and
- (6) Make other clarifying amendments to the regulated profession of osteopathy.


Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Board of Medical Examiners and the Hawaii Medical Association.

Your Committee finds that the regulatory laws of osteopathy should be very similar to the regulatory laws of physicians and surgeons, inasmuch as both professions are alike in the scope of practice. This measure accomplishes that parallelism.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity and style.

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. 1421, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1421, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing.

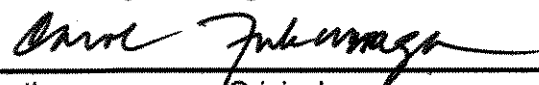
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health,

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Health**  
**HTH**

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1421	Committee Referral: HTH, CPH	Date: <i>2/14/07</i>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron	✓			
WHALEN, Paul	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>5</i>			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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