

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3246

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28 2008

RE: S.C.R. No. 103

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Health and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 103 entitled:

"SENATE 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,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Auditor to conduct a study of Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, which requires certification of nurse aides who work in state-licensed or state-certified health care settings, regarding the impact the Act has had on nurse aides and the costs for certification and competency evaluations.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committees find that Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, parallels federal requirements by requiring nurse aides who work in nursing facilities that participate in Medicare and Medicaid programs to become certified. In addition, Act 226 has allowed the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to better monitor and evaluate the competency of nurse aides practicing in the State. Your Committees further find that an Auditor's impact



study is necessary to assess the costs incurred since the enactment of Act 226 and potential future costs.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 103 and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and
Commerce, Consumer Protection,
and Affordable Housing,



RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Chair



DAVID Y. ICE, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Health
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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:

Pass, unamended 2312
 Pass, with amendments 2311
 Hold 2310
 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)				✓
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron				✓
WHALEN, Paul	✓			
TOTAL	3	—	—	2

Recommendation:
 Adopted
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:


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