

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 814
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 814
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSE AIDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure consistency and
excellence in medical care provided by nurses aides by specifying:

- (1) The renewal period for the recertification of certified
nurse aides; and
- (2) The number of continuing education hours required for
recertification,

by the Director of Human Services.

The Hawaii Coalition for Caregivers, Nursing Advocates and
Mentors, Inc., Philippine Nurses Association Hawaii, United
Filipino Council of Hawaii, Filipino Nurses' Organization of
Hawaii, Filipino Coalition for Solidarity, National Association of
Filipino American Associations - Region 12, Filipino American
Citizens League, Oahu Filipino Community Council, Big Island
Chapters of the Adult Residential Care Home Operators and Adult
Foster Home Association, and several concerned individuals
supported this bill. The Department of Commerce and Consumer
Affairs submitted comments.

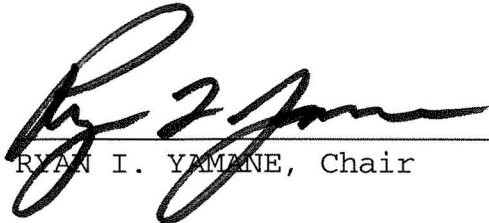


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Specifying that the continuing education hours required for recertification will not conflict with federal laws that may differ;
- (2) Making conforming amendments to statutes governing the Department of Human Services to ensure consistency in nurses aides regulations;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, 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 H.B. No. 814, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 814, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

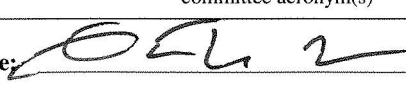


RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 814	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN	Date: 2-03-09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. BROWER, Tom	/			
6. CARROLL, Mele	/			
7. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				/
9. FINNEGAN, Lynn	/			
TOTAL (9)	8			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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