

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1256

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 27, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 1178

S.D. 2

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 S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure access to dialysis services in times of emergency by requiring that the Department of Health (DOH):

- (1) Review emergency plans and develop guidelines of all dialysis centers in the state to ensure the safety of dialysis patients in the event of a public emergency; and
- (2) Post on its website a list of all dialysis centers in Hawaii that have backup emergency generators with the capacity to sustain dialysis treatments and maintain their water treatment system.

DOH submitted comments on this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and



- (2) 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 S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



