

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1262
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 1262
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL TREATMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that patients receive quality health care by requiring health care providers to notify patients or their representatives of any adverse events that result in serious harm or death to the patient within seventy-two hours of discovery of the adverse event, without the admission being admissible as evidence of liability.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Association of Justice. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Health and The Queen's Medical Center.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that patients deserve full disclosure when mistakes are made in the course of receiving medical care. Ensuring full disclosure, with the disclosure notification excluded as evidence of liability, will improve patient safety procedures, reduce medical errors, and therefore reduce medical malpractice claims and insurance costs.



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the matter.

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. 1262, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1262, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
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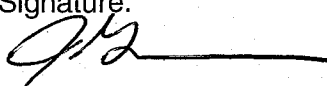
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

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

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
ESPERO, Will				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				
TOTAL	5	0	0	1

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:


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