

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 20 2009

RE: S.B. No. 567

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. 567
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the number of
eligible blood donors, foster a commitment to blood donation, and
enhance our ability to meet the growing demand for blood.

This measure accomplishes this purpose by lowering the
minimum age requirement for blood donation to sixteen years of
age, provided that parental consent is obtained.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from two individuals.

Copies of written testimony are available for review on the
Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that twenty-three states have passed
legislation or adopted variances recognizing sixteen year olds as
eligible voluntary blood donors with parental consent. Your
Committee further finds that allowing sixteen year olds to donate
blood will increase the donor pool and increase the availability
of blood supply to help others in need.

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. 567

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and recommends that it pass Second Reading 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

DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Health
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
CB 567	HTH J60	2/13/9		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
ESPERO, Will				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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