

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 604  
S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, to which was referred S.B. No. 604, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVES FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require all hospitals and public facilities to provide victims of sexual assault with information on emergency contraception and immediate access to emergency contraception when requested.

Your Committee finds that information on emergency contraception is an important part of treatment and counseling for victims of sexual assault. Access to information regarding all of the available medical options and treatments will allow sexual assault survivors to make an informed decision regarding their immediate treatment and may prevent further trauma from an unintended pregnancy.

Your Committee further finds that the use of emergency contraception is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration and is a safe and effective means of treating victims of sexual assault.

Some members of your Committee requested a religious exemption for some hospitals and would like to continue the discussion on this issue.



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050 to continue the discussions on this matter.

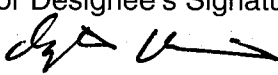
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 604, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 604, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations,

  
BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate  
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
 State of Hawaii

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| Bill / Resolution No.:*  | Committee Referral: | Date:    |     |         |
| SB604 SD1  | HTH, JGO            | 8/2/09   |     |         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |                     |          |     |         |
| The Recommendation is:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 |                     |          |     |         |
| Members  | Aye                 | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)  | ✓                   |          |     |         |
| TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (VC)   | ✓                   |          |     |         |
| BUNDA, Robert  |                     |          |     | ✓       |
| GABBARD, Mike  |                     |          | ✓   |         |
| NISHIHARA, Clarence K.   | ✓                   |          |     |         |
| SLOM, Sam  |                     |          | ✓   |         |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted   |                     |          |     |         |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:<br>  |                     |          |     |         |
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