

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1894

Honolulu, Hawaii
Apr. 27, 2009

RE: S.C.R. No. 167
S.D. 1
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.C.R. No. 167, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE HEALTH CARE COMMUNITY'S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GRANTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to initiate steps for Hawaii to be one of the first states to apply for federal health information technology grant funding by urging the appropriate state departments, the health care community, and the technology community to work together to ensure that Hawaii is able to rapidly respond and qualify for grant money offered in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for health care technology.

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Primary Care Association, and Hawaii Medical Service Association supported this concurrent resolution. The Department of Health submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this concurrent resolution by replacing it contents. As amended, this measure:



- (1) Expresses support for the St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii's plan for the post-bankruptcy proceedings of the Hawaii Medical Center (HMC); and
- (2) Changes the title to: "SUPPORTING THE ST. FRANCIS HEALTHCARE SYSTEM OF HAWAII'S PLAN FOR THE POST-BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS OF THE HAWAII MEDICAL CENTER."

HMC submitted comments addressing the proposed amendments to this concurrent resolution.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 167, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 167, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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


RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



