

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1563

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAY 05 2009

RE: S. R. No. 97
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.R. No. 97
entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO
REVIEW AND ASSESS THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES IMPLEMENTED BY
HOSPITALS TO REDUCE ELECTIVE CESAREAN SECTIONS AND INDUCTION
OF LABOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of
Health to review and assess the policies and procedures
implemented by hospitals to reduce elective cesarean sections and
induction of labor.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the March of Dimes. Testimony in opposition to this measure
was submitted by the Department of Health. Comments on this
measure were submitted by Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies.

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

Your Committee finds that there has been a sharp increase in
the number of induction and elective surgical births in the past
ten years that have increased the rate of pre-term births.

Your Committee further finds that the Healthcare Association
of Hawaii is a non-profit organization that represents Hawaii's
health care providers and would serve as a valuable asset to the

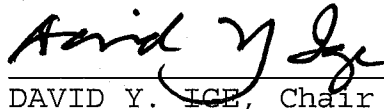


review and assessment process conducted by the Department of Health.

Your Committee has amended this measure by requesting the Department of Health to conduct the review and assessment in consultation with the Healthcare Association of Hawaii.

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.R. No. 97, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 97, S.D. 1.

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




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
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SR 97	HTH	4-1-09		
<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 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
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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