

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2312
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2312
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure safe health care
practices by removing the ability of naturopathic physicians to
conduct minor office procedures and prescribe from a naturopathic
formulary.

The University of Hawaii System, Hawaii Medical Association,
and numerous concerned individuals supported this bill. The
Hawaii Society of Naturopathic Physicians and many concerned
individuals opposed this measure. The Board of Naturopathic
Medicine (Board) submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by, among other things:

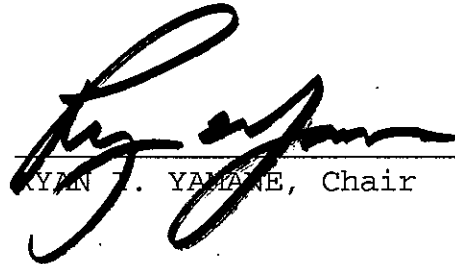
- (1) Requiring the Department of Commerce and Consumer
Affairs to establish a Naturopathic Formulary Board to
create a naturopathic formulary for the practice of
naturopathic medicine that will be updated and published
every two years;
- (2) Reestablishing the ability of naturopathic physicians to
conduct minor office procedures and prescribe from a
naturopathic formulary;



- (3) Including vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, botanical medicines, homeopathic medicines, and hormones consistent with naturopathic medical practice as part of a naturopathic formulary; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 2312, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2312, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

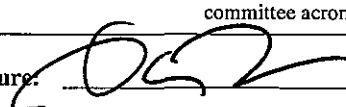
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



RYAN J. YAMANE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2312	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC	Date: Feb. 5, 2010		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. BROWER, Tom	/			
6. CARROLL, Mele				/
7. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				/
9. FINNEGAN, Lynn	/			
TOTAL (9)	7			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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