

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 29, 2010

RE: H.R. No. 98  
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 Committees on Higher Education and Health, to which was referred H.R. No. 98 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR NURSING TO  
EVALUATE THE NEED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH A  
CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR NURSES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Center for Nursing to study the need and resources necessary for the establishment of a continuing education program for nurses and to report its findings to the Legislature.

Testimony in support of this measure was received from the American Organization of Nurse Executives, Hawaii Chapter, the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, the Hawaii Long Term Care Association, and two concerned individuals. Testimony in support of the intent of this measure was received from The University of Hawaii at Manoa, the Board of Nursing, and the Hawaii State Center for Nursing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting requests that the Center for Nursing:
  - (A) Perform a comprehensive examination of the characteristics of post-entry nursing practice and how the characteristics change over time;



- (B) Identify the chronologic evolution of nursing practice;
  - (C) Evaluate how factors specific to the individual nurse influence the evolution of practice; and
  - (D) Identify the determinants of safe post-entry practice;
- (2) Including a request that the Center for Nursing review the studies done by the National Council of State Board of Nursing;
  - (3) Changing the membership of the joint advisory committee as follows:
    - (A) Removing the representative from the National Council of State Boards of Nursing; and
    - (B) Adding a representative from the Board of Nursing;
  - (4) Requesting that the Center for Nursing submit an interim progress report to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2012, and a final report no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2013;
  - (5) Requesting the joint advisory committee to dissolve on June 30, 2013, rather than on June 30, 2012; and
  - (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Higher Education and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 98, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Finance, in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 98, H.D. 1.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Higher Education  
and Health,

  
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