

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2307

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2203
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Health and Economic Development and
Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 2203 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE ENTERPRISE ZONES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow for the establishment
of health care enterprise zones providing tax and loan incentives
for primary care practitioners in those geographic areas.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health and the American Congress of
Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Your Committees received
testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of
Taxation and one individual. Comments in support of the intent of
this measure with amendments were received from the Hawaii Primary
Care Association and the Hawaii Medical Association. The
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
submitted testimony commenting on this measure. Written testimony
presented to the Committees may be reviewed on the Legislature's
website.

Your Committees find that this State is suffering from a
shortage of physicians, especially primary care physicians, which
results in hardship and delays for residents seeking medical care.
This problem is particularly acute in rural areas.

Your Committees further find that this measure will allow for
the creation of Healthcare Enterprise Zones to provide incentives




for primary care providers to practice in underserved areas in order to help those areas alleviate the healthcare shortage. For purposes of this measure, any county having a population of less than 50,000 is considered to be underserved.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring any affected county to concur with the Department of Health's designation of a Healthcare Enterprise Zone; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050 to encourage further discussion of this measure.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Economic Development and Technology that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2203, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2203, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and
Economic Development and
Technology,

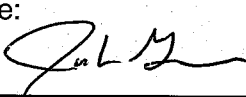

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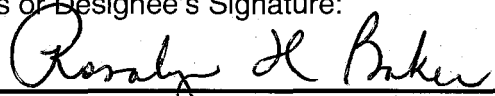
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The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
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FUKUNAGA, Carol (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	✓			
HEE, Clayton				✓
IGE, David Y.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
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