

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3106**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 9 2010

RE: S.C.R. No. 211

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 Judiciary and Government Operations, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 211 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE OVERLAP AND CONFLICTS AMONG STATUTES RELATING TO PATIENT CARE DIRECTIVES RECOGNIZED IN HAWAII, INCLUDING PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING TREATMENT, "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDERS, AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request a working group to examine overlap and conflicts among patient care directives recognized in Hawaii.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two individuals. Testimony in support of this measure with amendments was submitted by the Healthcare Association of Hawaii and Kokua Mau. Written testimony presented to the Committees may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committees find that salient end of life directives are a vital part of implementing effective and sensitive patient care. Your Committees further recognize that each of the many different types of health care directives covers different aspects of complex health care circumstances but that their numerosity is confusing to laypersons and can discourage participation. Your Committees hope that this working group will condense and simplify



health care directives, where possible, without sacrificing substance or nuance.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Expanding the procedures and directives that the working group will examine to include all patient care directives recognized in Hawaii; and
- (2) Postponing submission of the working group's report to the Legislature until 2012 to allow additional time to examine the effectiveness of physician orders for life sustaining treatment, which only came into effect in 2009.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Judiciary and Government Operations that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 211, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 211, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and
Judiciary and Government
Operations,

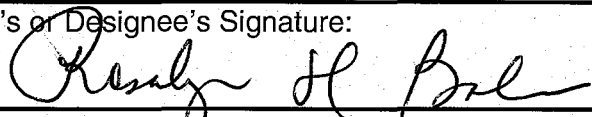

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair


DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 211	Committee Referral: HTH / J60	Date: 4-5-2010		
<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	4	-	-	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

