

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 11, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 889
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 889
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect consumers of hospital
services by establishing procedures that require hospitals to
collect data and report to the public on infection rates.

Consumers Union supported this bill. The Healthcare
Association of Hawaii supported this measure with amendments. The
Department of Health (DOH) and Kaiser Permanente provided
comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Deleting its contents; and
- (2) Inserting provisions that, among other things, require:
 - (A) Each health care facility certified by the Centers
for Medicare and Medicaid Services to report on
health care-associated infections to the Centers
for Disease Control and Prevention's National
Healthcare Safety Network;

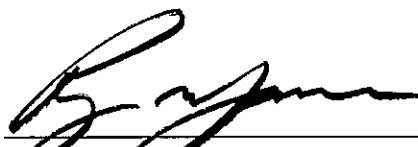
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- (B) Each health care facility to authorize DOH to access reported health care-associated infection data; and
- (C) DOH to prepare an annual public report on health care-associated infections beginning in 2013.

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. 889, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 889, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



