

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

673

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 224
S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 224, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LUPUS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase education and awareness of lupus.

Specifically, this measure establishes a temporary working group within the Department of Health to develop a comprehensive plan to promote public and health professional education and awareness of lupus.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Medical Association and Tracy H. Okubo.

Your Committee received comments on the measure from Cheryl Ann Jong, President, Lupus Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that more than one and a half million Americans and ten thousand Hawaii residents are affected by lupus. The disease, which results from an unbalanced immune system, is unpredictable and potentially fatal and there are no satisfactory treatments. Although the Food and Drug Administration has made recommendations, in the last fifty years there have been no new drugs approved that specifically treat lupus. The creation of a statewide program would promote lupus education and awareness in healthcare providers and patients and increase early diagnoses.

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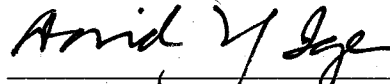


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 224, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 224, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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SB 224 SDI	HHA, WAM	2-24-11		
<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)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)				✓
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RYAN, Pohai	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	13	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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