

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 3, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 1500
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1500, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANATOMICAL GIFTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to save lives, improve the quality of life for those who need organ transplants, and improve the quality of medical education in Hawaii by ensuring that the proper individuals and entities fulfill their obligation to effectuate anatomical gifts. Specifically, this measure requires a recipient to accept or reject an anatomical gift made pursuant to Hawaii's Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, as amended by this measure, regardless of whether another person, including family members of the donor, has made an anatomical gift; unless the anatomical gift is medically unsuitable for transplantation, therapy, research, or education.

The Department of Health testified in support of this measure. The Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1500, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



GILBERT KEITH-ASARAN, Chair



