

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2184

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2098

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2098
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRIVACY OF HEALTH CARE
INFORMATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that
persons and entities subject to the Health Insurance Portability
and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), who use or disclose
information in a manner permitted by and consistent with HIPAA and
related federal regulations, shall be deemed to be acting in
compliance with state privacy laws and regulations.

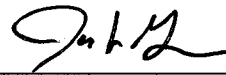
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Office of the Governor; Department of Health; Hawaii
Health Information Corporation; Healthcare Association of Hawaii;
Hawaii Chapter, American Physical Therapy Association; Hawaii
Health Information Exchange; HMSA; Kaiser Permanente Hawaii;
Hawaii Disability Rights Center; Hawaii Medical Association;
Hawaii Pacific Health; and one individual. Your Committee
received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce
and Consumer Affairs and the Department of Commerce and Consumer
Affairs' Regulated Industries Complaints Office.

Your Committee finds that harmonizing various state
regulations governing disclosure of medical information with
federal HIPAA requirements will simplify health information
exchanges between providers and improve patient health outcomes.



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 S.B. No. 2098 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

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



JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
<i>SB 2098</i>	<i>HTH, JDL</i>	<i>1-27-12</i>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GREEN, M.D., Josh (C)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile				✓
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	<i>5</i>			<i>2</i>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Clarence K Nishihara</i>				
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