

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2409

S.D. 1

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. 2409 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 for emergency medical services in the West Oahu region.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that the closure of the Hawaii Medical Center facilities has had a negative impact on the emergency medical services in West Oahu. Your Committee further finds that an appropriation made pursuant to this measure may help to fill the need for critical medical services not only in West Oahu but wherever medical services are most needed.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the specification that the emergency medical services provided be for the West Oahu region in order

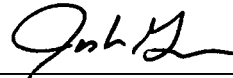


to give the Department of Health the maximum flexibility to best utilize the funds for the community; and

- (2) Changing the effective date from upon approval to July 1, 2012.

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. 2409, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2409, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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 2409</i>	<i>HTH, WAM</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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <small>2312</small>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <small>2311</small>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hold <small>2310</small>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit <small>2313</small>		
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	5	2
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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