

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2816
S.D. 1
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 Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2816, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOSPITAL LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the efficiency of Hawaii's health care system by authorizing the Department of Health to allow accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations to substitute for state licensing inspections of hospitals.

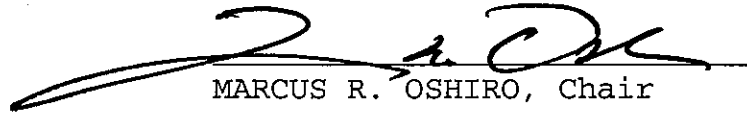
The Department of Health, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and The Queen's Medical Center testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2816, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2816, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.



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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



