

Honolulu, Hawaii "

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RE: S.B. No. 2825
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Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2825 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII IMMUNIZATION
REGISTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the
Department of Health to:

- (1) Allow limited access by authorized health organizations
to registry information in the Hawaii Immunization
Registry to produce immunization assessment reports; and
- (2) Store minimal demographic information for individuals
who have elected to refuse inclusion in the Hawaii
Immunization Registry.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health, the Hawaii Medical Service
Association, AlohaCare, and one private individual. Testimony in
opposition to this measure was submitted by one private
individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure enables health
insurers access to the Hawaii Immunization Registry for the
limited purpose of producing immunization assessment reports. The
Department of Health's ability to share immunization data with



health insurers can assist in the formulation of strategies to improve immunization rates.

Your Committee further finds that authorizing the Department of Health to store minimal patient demographic information in the Hawaii Immunization Registry enables the system to automatically identify patients who have elected to opt out of the system. This measure will prevent the inadvertent data entry or data transfer of restricted patient information into the registry and thereby ensure further privacy protections for these individuals.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to ensure further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2825, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2825, S.D. 1.

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



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



