

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2332

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2958  
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. 2958  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate  
funds to be expended by the Department of Health for the  
implementation of a new bone marrow transplantation program in the  
State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the American Cancer Society, Hawaii Pacific Health, and one  
individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to  
this measure from ACLU of Hawaii. Your Committee received  
comments on this measure from the Department of Health.

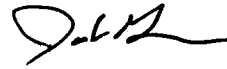
Your Committee finds that the closure of Hawaii Medical  
Center East resulted not only in the loss of Hawaii's only  
certified organ transplant center, but also the loss of bone  
marrow transplantation services. Those needing transplants have  
the sole option of traveling to the mainland to receive services,  
which adds to the financial burden of these patients and makes it  
more difficult for the patient's family and other members of the  
patient's support system to accompany the patient.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an  
appropriation amount of \$500,000.



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. 2958, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2958, 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,




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JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Health**  
**HTH**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2958	HTH, WAM	2/3/12		
<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 2312	<input checked="" 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				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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