

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2534

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2012

RE: S.B. No. 417  
S.D. 2

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. 417,  
S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to change the  
membership of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation's corporation  
board by:

- (1) Adding a member who alternately represents the eastern  
and western regions of the county of Hawaii;
- (2) Replacing the regional chief executive officers with  
community members from each respective region; and
- (3) Removing the at-large member selected by the Governor.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation and one individual.

Section 323F-3.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires that the  
term for a member of the regional system board of directors shall  
be three years. Section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, prohibits  
any board member from serving for more than two consecutive terms  
or for more than eight years. Consequently, the maximum number of  
years that a regional system board member may serve is limited to  
six years. Your Committee finds that the existing staggered terms  
of corporation board members result in half the board leaving one

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year and the other half leaving the next. Your Committee further finds that learning the intricacies of the health care system takes time and other resources and that more flexibility in the length of a member's term would allow knowledgeable individuals to remain on the board for a longer period to sufficiently transfer their knowledge base to other members and result in more effective use of a staggered membership.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the regional system board membership term from three years to a membership term between two and five years, with the specific term length to be established by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the existing regional system board members;
- (2) Amending the purpose section to reflect the amended purpose of this measure; and
- (3) 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 Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 417, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 417, S.D. 2, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 417, SD 1	HTH	2/27/12		
<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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