

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 27 2012

RE: S.B. No. 596
S.D. 2
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 596, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII HEALTH CORPS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to increase access by medically underserved resident populations to culturally appropriate primary health care services by appropriating funds to implement and sustain the rural interdisciplinary residency program at Hilo Medical Center.

Your Committee on Conference finds that Hawaii faces a primary health care provider shortage. The increasing costs of a medical education require physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners to seek out high-salary jobs in order to repay their student loans. Unfortunately, rural areas are often unable to provide a competitive salary for such health care providers,

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resulting in the critical provider shortage that this measure seeks to address.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

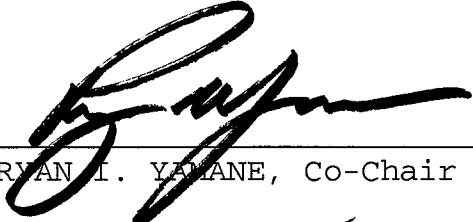
- (1) Amending the purpose section;
- (2) Inserting language to:
 - (A) Establish the Hawaii health corps program, Hawaii rural health care provider loan repayment program, and the Hawaii health corps revolving fund;
 - (B) Require the University of Hawaii at Manoa John A. Burns School of Medicine and University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene to report to the Legislature on the status of the Hawaii health corps program; and
 - (C) Require the implementation of the Hawaii health corps program by June 30, 2013;
- (3) Deleting the appropriation that would have been used to implement and sustain the rural interdisciplinary residency program at Hilo Medical Center; and
- (4) Changing the effective date to upon approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 596, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 596, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

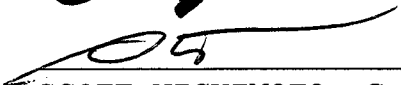


Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:


ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



RYAN I. YAMANE, Co-Chair

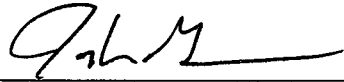


SCOTT NISHIMOTO, Co-Chair



DEE MORIKAWA, Co-Chair

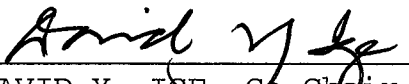
ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair



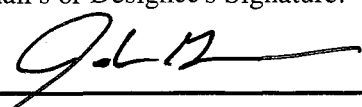
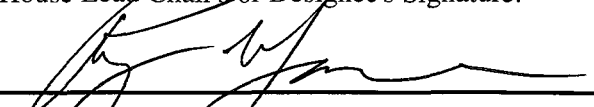
JILL TOKUDA, Co-Chair



DAVID Y. ISE, Co-Chair



Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 596, SD 2, HD 1					Date/Time: 4/27/12 5:10 PM				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
GREEN, Josh, M.D., Chr.	✓				YAMANE, Ryan I., Co-Chr.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N., Co-Chr.					NISHIMOTO, Scott Y., Co-Chr.	✓			
IGE, David Y., Co-Chr.	✓				MORIKAWA, Dee, Co-Chr.	✓			
					NAKASHIMA, Mark M.				✓
					SAIKI, Scott K.				✓
					PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
TOTAL	2	0	0	1	TOTAL	4	0	0	2
A = Aye		WR = Aye with Reservations			N = Nay		E = Excused		
Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted					House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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