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SCR 53 REQUESTING COLLABORATION AMONG VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES TO IDENTIFY AND REMOVE BARRIERS RELATING TO WORKFORCE DATA SHARING AND NURSING PRACTICE IN THE STATE.

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- Identify and remove barriers that prevent the BON and PVLVD from fully implementing recent legislation relating to nursing

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The UHM Nursing supports SCR 53 for the reasons set forth in this measure and is confident that the collective expertise of these agencies will bring about cost-effective, innovative, and synergistic solutions which will ultimately benefit Hawai'i consumers.

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In Support of S.C.R. 53, Requesting Collaboration Among Various State Agencies to Identify and Remove Barriers Relating to Workforce Data Sharing and Nursing Practice in the State.

Chair Baker, Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committees,

My name is Cindy Kamikawa, Vice President, Nursing, Trauma, ED and Chief Nursing Officer of The Queen's Medical Center (QMC), testifying in **strong support** for S.C.R. 53, Requesting Collaboration Among Various State Agencies to Identify and Remove Barriers Relating to Workforce Data Sharing and Nursing Practice in the State. This Concurrent Resolution requests key stakeholders to identify and remove barriers that prevent the Center for Nursing from sharing its data, as well as barriers that prevent the Hawaii State Board of Nursing and the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division from fully implementing recent legislation relating to nursing.

The Hawaii State Center for Nursing (HSCFN) provides education, service, and research through collaborative leadership. The Center has become a resource for nursing information and research that ultimately will benefit the people of Hawai'i, including nursing workforce development efforts and the implementation of a nurse residency program. Per the requests as stated in S.C.R. 53, QMC is fully supportive of the efforts of HSCFN and is eager to partner with the State to work towards enhanced outcomes in an array of areas that impact nurses in the State of Hawaii.

Therefore, I strongly recommend passage of S.C.R. 53 and appreciate your continued support of nursing and healthcare in Hawai'i.

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Comments:

Please request the named agencies to work with the Center of Nursing to identify and remove barriers that prevent the BOR and PVLD from fully implementing recent legislation related to Nursing. The legislation will also require the LRB to compile the agencies findings into a report to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the 2013 Legislative session. These recommendations could bring about solutions which will ultimately benefit Hawai'i consumers.