

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

506

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 651

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 651
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to update the Uniform
Controlled Substances Act in chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
to allow the electronic prescribing of certain controlled
substances, consistent with federal law.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
Department of Health, Department of Public Safety, CVS Caremark,
Walgreen Co., Hawaii Medical Association, Kaiser Permanente
Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Service Association, and one concerned
individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure will align Hawaii's
law with federal provisions that allow medical practitioners to
electronically prescribe controlled substances. Your Committee
believes that electronic prescriptions will provide a secure means
of transmitting prescriptions directly to patients' pharmacies and
ensuring the timely delivery of medications to patients. Your
Committee also finds that the use of electronic prescriptions will
improve drug therapy, provide better medical outcomes, and aid in
management of overall healthcare costs.



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 H.B. No. 651 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,

Debra A. Belatti

DEBRA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 651</i>	Committee Referral: <i>PBS, HLT, JUD</i>	Date: <i>2/13/13</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
4. CARROLL, Mele	.			✓
5. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
6. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
8. CHEAPE, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
TOTAL (8)	7			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>[Signature]</i>				
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