

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 1076

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 S.B. No. 1076  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF THE DOCTOR OF  
ACUPUNCTURE TITLE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure consistency within,  
and further establish standards for, the practice of acupuncture  
in the State by specifying requirements for using the title of  
"Doctor of Acupuncture" or the designation of "D.Ac.", or the term  
"Doctor" or prefix "Dr." with the term "Acupuncturist", for  
licensees who have graduated from:

- (1) An accredited institution located in the United States  
or United States territory; or
- (2) A foreign institution and whose transcripts and  
curriculum have been evaluated by a Board of  
Acupuncture-approved and designated professional  
evaluator.

This measure also repeals the requirement that the Board of  
Acupuncture adopt rules to establish standards for the use of the  
title "Doctor of Acupuncture" or the designation of "D.Ac".

The Board of Acupuncture supported this measure.



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. 1076 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



