

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1545

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 655
S.D. 2
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce and
Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 655, S.D. 2, H.D. 1,
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect public health by
allowing health care professionals to provide Expedited Partner
Therapy by dispensing or prescribing antibiotic medication,
without conducting a direct examination, to the heterosexual
partners of patients diagnosed with a sexually transmitted disease
in accordance with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention.

The Department of Health; American Congress of Obstetricians
and Gynecologists, Hawaii Section; Hawaii Medical Association;
Hawaii Association of Professional Nurses, and two individuals
testified in support of this measure. An individual testified in
opposition to this measure. The Hawaii Medical Board provided
comments on this measure.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting references to "heterosexual" to prevent
limiting the provision of Expedited Partner Therapy to
only heterosexual partners of patients;

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- (2) Including other sexually transmitted diseases that are or may be recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for expedited partner therapy in the definition of "sexually transmitted disease"; and
- (3) Specifying that health professionals, licensed doctors, advanced practice registered nurses with prescriptive authority, and licensed pharmacists who provide Expedited Partner Therapy reasonably and in good faith in accordance with the law shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability and shall not be deemed to have engaged in unprofessional conduct, for providing that therapy.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce and Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 655, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 655, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Consumer
Protection & Commerce and
Judiciary,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



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House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: SB655 SDZ HDI	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC/JUD	Date: 4/3/13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
2. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			✓
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
6. CACHOLA, Romy M.				✓
7. CARROLL, Mele				✓
8. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
9. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
10. ITO, Ken				✓
11. LEE, Chris	✓			
12. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. MCDERMOTT, Bob	✓			
15. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (15)	11			4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ committee acronym(s) did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary

Bill/Resolution No.: SB655, SD2, HD1	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC/JUD	Date: 4/3/13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
JUD Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			excused
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			✓
6. CARROLL, Mele	✓			✓
7. ITO, Ken	✓			✓
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
9. LEE, Chris	✓			
10. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
11. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
12. MCDERMOTT, Bob	✓			
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (13)	18			3
The recommendation is: <input 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: _____				
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