

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 657

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 657
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to protect medical
service providers, not just emergency medical service providers,
from bodily injury in the performance of their duties.

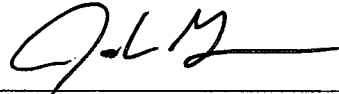
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Kaiser Permanente, Hawaii Medical Association, and one
individual.

Your Committee finds that current law provides protection
against bodily injury to health care personnel in hospital
emergency rooms. This measure will expand the scope of protection
beyond hospital emergency rooms to include the entire hospital,
medical clinics, and federally qualified health centers.

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. 657
and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the
Committee on Judiciary and Labor.



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



JOSH GREEN, Chair



