

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1439
H.D. 1

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. 1439
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTING DEATHS TO STATE
AGENCIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist state agencies in
maintaining the accuracy of their records by requiring the
Department of Health (DOH) to provide, upon the state agency's
request, the list of names of all persons whose deaths have been
recorded by DOH for a particular period; provided that the state
agency maintains official lists of persons in the ordinary course
of the agency's activities and is prohibited by federal law from
sharing information from the lists.

DOH, the Office of Information Management and Technology, and
the Department of the Attorney General supported this measure.
The Department of Human Services supported the intent of this
measure.

Your Committee notes the comments expressed by the Office of
Information Management and Technology regarding the need for
modernizing the Vital Statistics System for death records and
establishing an interim fee structure for information-sharing,
with a sunset date until such time that a preferred funding source
is identified and/or federal grants become available.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1439, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1439, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

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