

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 14, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1831  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1831  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to keep abreast of the  
advances in health care by updating the scope of practice for  
chiropractic to reflect the standards of care, practices, and  
terminology. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Clarifies the definition of chiropractic;
- (2) Clarifies the additional post-licensure examinations  
that the state board of chiropractic examiners may  
require; and
- (3) Allows a chiropractor to use the term, "chiropractic  
physician".

The Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Hawaii State  
Chiropractic Association, and one concerned individual supported  
this measure. The Hawaii Medical Association and the Hawaii  
Insurers Council opposed this measure. The American Medical  
Association, ARC/Advocacy Resource Center offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its  
effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion.

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Your Committee respectfully requests that the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, should it choose to consider this measure, consider concerns raised regarding whether the expansion of chiropractors' scope of treatment will lead to higher medical costs for motor vehicle and workers' compensation insurance, whether the quality of care for injured persons will be adversely affected, and whether chiropractors' treatment should be limited to the spine, as well as the suggestion that this measure should limit the chiropractic reimbursement amount and the number of treatments provided by chiropractors under the motor vehicle insurance law.

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. 1831, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1831, H.D. 1, 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



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> <i>HB 1831</i>	<b>Committee Referral:</b> <i>HLT, CPC</i>	<b>Date:</b> <i>2/12/14</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele				✓
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				✓
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<i>8</i>			<i>2</i>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ <i>VLR</i>				
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