

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 28, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2277
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2277, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care in the State by, among other things:

- (1) Extending to June 30, 2017, the duration of the Health Care Transformation Program's temporary placement within the Office of the Governor;
- (2) Effective July 1, 2017, transferring the Health Care Transformation Program from the Office of the Governor to the Hawaii Health Care Planning and Policy Authority, which is the successor agency to the State Health Planning and Development Agency, updated to accommodate this transfer;
- (3) Establishing the Health Care Transformation Special Fund to receive public and private funds for the Health Care Transformation Program;
- (4) Requiring the Governor to submit progress reports on the Health Care Transformation Program to the Legislature



prior to the 2015 and 2016 Regular Sessions and a final report prior to the 2017 Regular Session; and

- (5) Appropriating funds to the Office of the Governor for the Healthcare Transformation Program Coordinator to carry out the Health Care Transformation Program.

The Office of the Governor, University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene, Hawaii Health Information Exchange, East Hawaii Regional Chief Executive Officer of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Hawaii Medical Service Association, Hawai'i Primary Care Association, Hawai'i Pacific Health, Ho'ōla Lāhui Hawai'i, and an individual supported this measure. An individual opposed this measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2277, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



