

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 28, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2459
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 2459, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTISTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support the safe and effective delivery of anesthesia and sedation by dentists by requiring any dentist who prescribes or administers general anesthesia, intravenous-conscious sedation, or conscious sedation to:

- (1) Meet licensure requirements and possess written authorization from the Board of Dental Examiners to administer anesthesia or sedation; and
- (2) Possess site certification from the Board of Dental Examiners for any place of practice or dental facility where anesthesia or sedation are prescribed or administered.

This measure also requires the Board of Dental Examiners to adopt rules dealing with the implementation of written authorizations and site requirements.

The Hawaii Dental Association testified in opposition to this measure. The Board of Dental Examiners provided comments on this measure.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Board of Dental Examiners to determine whether written authorizations to administer general anesthesia, intravenous-conscious sedation, or conscious sedation are necessary;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) 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 Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2459, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2459, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



