

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1236

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2013

RE: H.B. No. 651
H.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 651, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the Uniform Controlled Substances Act in chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by adding definitions consistent with federal law, clarifying the conditions for electronic transmittal of prescriptions, and clarifying violations of prohibited acts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Medical Association, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, Times Supermarket, CVS Caremark, Walgreen Co., and one individual.

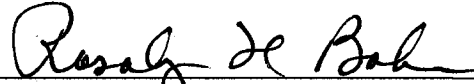
Your Committee finds that this measure aligns Hawaii's Uniform Controlled Substances Act with federal regulations by allowing prescribers who are registered and authorized to prescribe controlled substances to electronically prescribe and electronically convey prescriptions for controlled substances listed in schedules II, III, IV, and V to a pharmacy of the patient's choice. The electronic conveyance of prescriptions from prescribers to pharmacists provides a safer, more secure, and timely means to prescribe controlled substances in addition to the traditional method of providing the patient with a handwritten prescription.



Your Committee further finds that this measure eliminates or greatly reduces forgeries, lost prescription documents, and illegible handwriting, which contribute to medication errors, wasted time, and increased frustration for patients who need these medicines.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 651, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

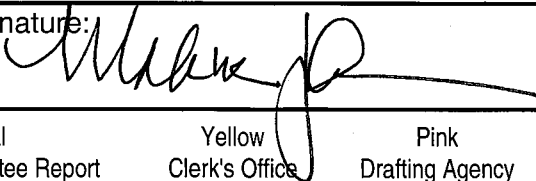


ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
HB 051 HD1	HTH/TEC, CPN	3/28/13
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓	
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)		✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓	
SOLOMON, Malama	✓	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓	
WAKAI, Glenn		✓
SLOM, Sam		✓
TOTAL	4	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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