

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15 2013

RE: H.B. No. 893

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 893 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DIETITIAN LICENSURE SPECIAL FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish limitations on the uses of and the balance of moneys in the dietitian licensure special fund.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Allows for no more than \$30,000 of the special fund to be used during any fiscal year for activities associated with administering the licensure program;
- (2) Requires unexpended moneys in the dietitian licensure special fund in excess of \$35,000 at the end of each fiscal year to be deposited into the general fund; and
- (3) Requires the Department to report annually to the Legislature on the status of the special fund.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Hawaii Dietetic Association.

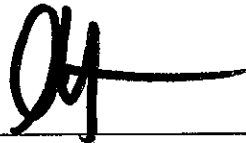
Your Committee finds that dietitians encourage the health and well-being of the people of the State and the licensure of



dietitians has enabled consumers to identify and distinguish qualified nutrition professionals. Accordingly, your Committee believes that there is a public interest in continuing the dietitians licensure program. Your Committee finds that allowing the use of moneys in the dietitian licensure special fund to pay administrative expenses of the program will contribute to its continued success, and this measure will clarify the allowable expenditure from the special fund.

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. 893 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



