

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 21, 2014

RE: H.R. No. 87
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.R. No. 87
entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A
TASK FORCE TO ASSESS THE SCOPE AND FEASIBILITY OF
ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY SERVICES PATIENT ADVOCATE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve emergency room
patient outcomes by requesting the Director of Health to:

- (1) Establish a task force to study the scope and
feasibility of an emergency services patient advocate
program; and
- (2) Submit a report of its findings, recommendations, and
any proposed legislation to the Legislature no later
than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular
Session of 2015.

Three individuals testified in support of this measure.
Kaiser Permanente and the Healthcare Association of Hawaii offered
comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the task force's membership to include four
representatives from the Subarea Health Planning Council

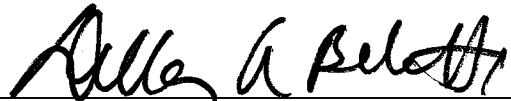


of the State Health Planning and Development Agency and the directors of emergency rooms in the state; and

- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 87, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 87, H.D. 1.

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



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



HSCR 1222-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 07	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN	Date: 3/19/14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <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	✓			
TOTAL (10)	7			3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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