

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 198

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 198
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED
NURSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend section
457-8.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to recognize and adopt the
National Council of State Boards of Nursing's consensus model by
clarifying language relating to advanced practice registered nurse
educational requirements.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and
Dental Hygiene, the University of Hawaii at Hilo School of
Nursing, Hawai'i Pacific Health, Hawaii Long Term Care Association,
The Queen's Health Systems, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing, Blood
Bank of Hawaii, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, the American
Organization of Nurse Executives Hawaii Chapter, the Hawai'i
Association of Professional Nurses, the Board of Nursing, and nine
individuals.


Your Committee finds that under existing state law, advanced
practice registered nurses may only be recognized if they receive
a master's degree in certain nursing fields. This precludes
recognition of nurses who earn a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree
and other nationally recognized clinical doctorates in nursing,
which directly impacts Doctor of Nursing Practice graduates of the
University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and the University



of Hawaii at Hilo School of Nursing. Your Committee further finds that it is necessary to expand the State's recognition of nurses who complete an accredited graduate-level education program preparing the nurse for one of the recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles - certified registered nurse anesthetist, nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, and nurse - regardless of whether the program leads to a master's degree.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 198 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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

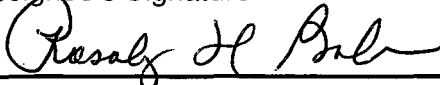


JOSH GREEN, Chair



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| Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 198 | Committee Referral: HTH, CPN | Date: 01/28/13 | | |
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| <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 |
| GREEN, Josh (C) | ✓ | | | |
| BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne | ✓ | | | |
| NISHIHARA, Clarence K. | ✓ | | | |
| SLOM, Sam | ✓ | | | |
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