STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1673 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1673 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to help patients in the State obtain access to critical, life-sustaining medical supplies by establishing the Durable Medical Equipment Supplier License Program to license durable medical equipment suppliers that sell, dispense, deliver, or service durable medical equipment to consumers in the State.

The Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii COPD Coalition, Hawaii Primary Care Association, and an individual supported this measure. The Department of Health, Board of Pharmacy, and Hawaii Medical Service Association commented on this measure.

Your Committee notes the testimony of the Department of Health that the cost to implement and manage the Durable Medical Equipment Supplier License Program would exceed by twofold the revenue estimated to be collected if licensing fees are established within the maximum fee amount proposed by this measure.

Upon consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Increasing the license fee assessed on each durable medical equipment supplier from no more than \$150 to no more than \$300;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, style, and consistency.

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 H.B. No. 1673, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1673, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair

State of Hawaii

House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCE 33-16

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1473	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN		Date: 1/29/16	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold 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. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)				
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3. HASHEM, Mark J.				
4. JORDAN, Jo				
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5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
6. MORIKAWA, Dee				
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7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth				
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9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.	~			
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The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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