

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2356
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. 2356
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIRTH DEFECTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend provisions relating
to the use of collected information related to birth defects
studies.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Authorizes the Department of Health to communicate with
the primary care provider of a child identified with a
birth defect, as a result of information collected
pursuant to birth defect studies, to provide information
about programs and resources that may help the child;
and
- (2) Clarifies that an Institutional Review Board may exempt
an activity using birth defects data under the Board's
rules of exemptions.

The Department of Health and the American Congress of
Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Hawaii Section, testified in
support of this measure.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that it takes effect on July 1, 2016; 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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2356, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2356, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2356	Committee Referral: HLT, JUD	Date: 2/10/16		
<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. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
4. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	HMMR			✓
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	✓			
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.	✓			
TOTAL (9)	7			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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