

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2445

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2557
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2557 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCUSSIONS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Expand the concussion educational program to include youth athletic activities for participants aged four to eighteen and incorporate additional program requirements; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to develop and implement the educational program and to administer concussion testing to high school athletes.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii System, University of Hawaii College of Education, American Physical Therapy Association, Hawaii High School Athletic Association, Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association, and Positive Coaching Alliance. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Health. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committees find that concussions are a common athletic injury that can have severe repercussions on the health and future



of student athletes. Act 197, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, required the Department of Education and the Hawaii High School Athletic Association to develop a concussion educational program for high school students. This program would also be beneficial for athletes in Hawaii's middle schools. Additionally, your Committees note that the source of monies in the neurotrauma special fund is limited.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

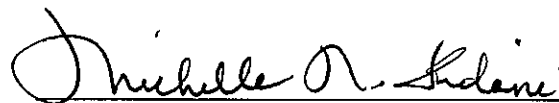
- (1) Changing the grade and age range of the activities covered by the measure to grades six to twelve and ages eleven to eighteen;
- (2) Changing the source of the appropriation for the concussion education program to general funds rather than the neurotrauma special fund; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2557, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2557, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Education and
Commerce, Consumer Protection,
and Health,



ROSALYN Q. BAKER, Chair

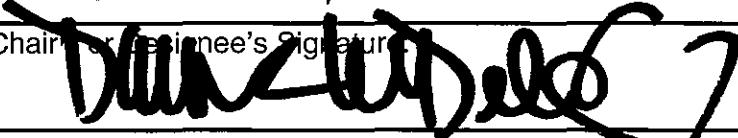


MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



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The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)				/
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	5			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair or Designee's Signature: 				
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BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				/
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Will Espero				
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