

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2861
S.D. 2
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 2861, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JOINT FORMULARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to abolish the Joint Formulary Advisory Committee.

The Board of Nursing, Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Association of Professional Nurses, and two individuals provided testimony in support of this measure.


Your Committee finds that the Joint Formulary Advisory Committee was established for the singular purpose of making recommendations to the Board of Nursing regarding the applicable formulary for advanced practice registered nurses who are granted prescriptive authority. Despite the Advisory Committee's sole purpose of recommending an applicable formulary, the Board of Nursing makes the final determination of the applicable formulary for advanced practice registered nurses. Your Committee believes that the Board of Nursing has the experience, resources, and authority to independently determine an applicable formulary, thus making the Joint Formulary Advisory Committee unnecessary. Accordingly, your Committee finds that the Joint Formulary Advisory Committee should be abolished.



Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2112, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2861, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2861, S.D. 2, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



