

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1178

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 27, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 298
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 298,
S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support emergency medical services on the island of Hawaii by appropriating general funds to acquire an advanced life support ambulance to be based in the Makalei area to be used during daily peak hours, and personnel costs for state-certified emergency medical service personnel.

The Council Members of Districts 1, 3, 4, 6, and 8, Hawaii County Council; Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Hawaii; Hawaii Fire Department; Hawaii Fire Fighters Association, Local 1463, AFL-CIO; and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Health commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Incorporating the provisions contained in the following bills, which received a public hearing and were heard by the Committee on Health:

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- (A) S.B. No. 1016, S.D. 1, which appropriates funds from the Emergency Medical Services Fund to establish an advanced life support ambulance based in Puna on the island of Hawaii and funds personnel costs for state-certified emergency medical services personnel;
 - (B) S.B. No. 1006, S.D. 1, which appropriates general funds to purchase an ambulance vehicle and pay the operational costs for one ambulance unit to service the area of Kakaako in the City and County of Honolulu; and
 - (C) S.B. No. 1281, S.D. 1, which appropriates general funds to assist the City and County of Honolulu Emergency Medical Services Division with expanding emergency medical services and ambulance services in the Moanalua, Aliamanu, Red Hill, Salt Lake, and Foster Village communities to operate an additional emergency medical service unit;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to facilitate further discussion; and
 - (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee notes that this measure contains provisions specifying that the resources being requested are intended to address the critical needs of the community, specifically during the daily peak hours from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Should the Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee respectfully requests that it:

- (1) Consider applying the daily peak hour provision to the emergency medical services in the various areas; and
- (2) Consult Emergency Medical Services on the community and resource needs of the respective counties.

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. 298, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 298, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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

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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.: SB298 SDI	Committee Referral: HLT, FIN	Date: 03/25/2015		
<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.	✓			
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	✓			
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				✓
TOTAL (9)	8			1
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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