

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 582

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2015

RE: S.B. No. 805

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 805 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to remove the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, relating to definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse."

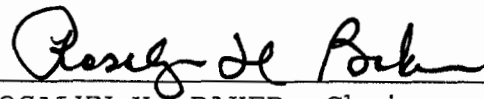
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Board of Nursing, The Queen's Health Systems, and Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants.

Your Committee finds that Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 (Act 255), amended the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse" to include carrying out the orders of a licensed physician assistant practicing with physician supervision as required by chapter 453, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and acting as an agent of the supervising physician. Act 255 included a sunset provision to repeal the amended versions of the definitions on July 1, 2017. Your Committee further finds that there has been ample time to evaluate Act 255 and its effect on public health, and there has been no harm. Rather, the changes made by Act 255 have provided clarity and improved communications for health care providers and patients.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 805 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
CPN

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 805	Committee Referral: HTH, CPN	Date: 2/25/15		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)				✓
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes