STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 0 6 2015

RE: S.B. No. 911 S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 911, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LATEX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit the use of latex gloves in dental health facilities, health care facilities, and food establishments and by personnel providing ambulance services or emergency medical services.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the American Latex Allergy Association and twenty individuals. Written comments in opposition to this measure were received from the Hawaii Dental Association and one individual.

Your Committee finds that latex allergy is a serious concern because it causes reactions ranging from mild rashes to difficulty breathing to deadly anaphylaxis. The allergy progresses with each exposure, and there is currently no medically approved treatment except strict avoidance.

Your Committee has provided time for a transition period in this measure. Your Committee requests that, during this period, the Department of Health consider establishing a latex-free plan for the affected providers and facilities.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2016.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. NO. 911, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 911, S.D. 2.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

JILL N. Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral: HTH/CPN, WAM			Date:		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
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The Recommendation is:	/		-			
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Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)						
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)						
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		V				
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		V				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		V,				
GALUTERIA, Brickwood		$\checkmark$	-			
HARIMOTO, Breene		$\checkmark$				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		V				
RIVIERE, Gil						
RUDERMAN, Russell E.					$\checkmark$	
SLOM, Sam						
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