

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

512

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 17, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1484  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1484  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSAULT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish the offense of  
assault in the second degree if a person intentionally or  
knowingly causes bodily injury to a health care or human services  
professional.

The Honolulu Police Department; Hawaii Government Employees  
Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Hawaii Pacific Health;  
Healthcare Association of Hawaii; and three individuals testified  
in support of this measure. The Queen's Health Systems provided  
comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the definition of "health care or human  
services professional" to only include licensed health  
care professionals;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2090, to  
facilitate further discussion; and

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- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 1484, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1484, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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

  
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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



