

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 194

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred S.B. No. 194 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TUBERCULOSIS TESTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Department of Health to accept the results of any tuberculosis test that is approved by the Food and Drug Administration and recommended by the Centers for Communicable Disease and Prevention for purposes of tuberculosis examination certificates.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from eleven individuals.

Your Committee finds that tuberculosis testing is a requirement for many people in the State, including children entering school, school personnel, personnel working with high risk populations, and students enrolling in higher education programs. The skin reaction tuberculosis test currently used by the Department of Health requires two visits to the doctor or medical practitioner administering the test, and can cause complications in some patients. Your Committee further finds that other tests that are approved by the Food and Drug Administration exist with fewer risks of complication. Your Committee notes that the Department of Health is in the process of updating its rules to support an expanded range of approved tuberculosis tests.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 194 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 194</i>	Committee Referral: <i>EDU, CPH</i>	Date: <i>2/28/17</i>		
<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)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
CHANG, Stanley	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
TOTAL	<i>6</i>			<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;"><i>Clarence K. Nishihara</i></div>				
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