

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

13774

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2017

RE: S.B. No. 984

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 Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 984 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION
PHYSICIAN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the definition of "physician" under the Workers' Compensation Law to include advanced practice registered nurses.

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Board of Nursing, Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 142, American Organization of Nurse Executives Hawaii, and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. The American Osteopathic Association, Hawaii Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and one individual testified in opposition.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 984, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass

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Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 984, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,



AARON KING JOHANSON, Chair



