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**Testimony COMMENTING on SCR 156**  
**URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES TO UPDATE STANDARDS OF VACCINATIONS FOR**  
**CHILDREN.**

REPRESENTATIVE DELLA AU BELATTI, CHAIR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: April 13, 2017

Room Number: 329

1 **Fiscal Implications:** Adoption and implementation of administrative rules to update the  
2 standards of vaccination for children will help ensure immunization coverage in the State against  
3 a broad spectrum of vaccine preventable diseases, thereby reducing the economic burden from  
4 primary and secondary medical costs. The resulting immunization coverage should in turn  
5 reduce the potential occurrence or scope of disease outbreaks/epidemics secondary to vaccine  
6 preventable diseases and their associated overall morbidity as well as financial and manpower  
7 burdens required to address them.

8 **Department Testimony:** The Department shares your concern and agrees the updates to  
9 administrative rules regarding vaccinations standards for children are long overdue. For the last  
10 10 years, the Department of Health (DOH) has worked with numerous partner organizations to  
11 revise and update Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 11, Chapter 157, "Examination and  
12 Immunization," which detail the pediatric, child care center, compulsory school, and post-  
13 secondary school examination and immunization requirements in the State of Hawaii. This  
14 process has been extraordinarily long and arduous as repeatedly securing the stakeholder  
15 consensus and cooperation from outside agencies as well as assuring alignment with Hawaii

1 statutory requirements necessary for successful adoption and implementation of updated rules has  
2 required years of careful, continual work. The Department is now poised to proceed with the  
3 final steps of the Administrative Rules adoption and approval process. Once these revised rules  
4 are adopted, thanks to the provisions of Act 231, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, any future  
5 updates will be able to be adopted in an expedited manner.

6 Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding this important issue.



Testimony of  
Hawaii Immunization Coalition (HIC)

Before:  
Committee on Health  
Representative Della Au Belatti  
Representative Bertrand Kobayashi

April 13, 2017  
10:30 am  
Room 329

**Re: SCR156 URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES TO UPDATE STANDARDS OF VACCINATIONS FOR CHILDREN.**

Chair Belatti, Vice Chair Kobayashi, and committee members, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on SCR156.

The Hawaii Immunization Coalition (HIC) **strongly supports SCR156**. This resolution would urge Department of Health (DOH) to adopt and implement administrative rules to update the standards of vaccination for children in Hawaii, which has been long overdue. The resolution will ensure increased immunization coverage and protection for our vulnerable children against a broad spectrum of preventable diseases. The resolution will not only increase public health benefits for our families and communities, but also decrease the economic burden on our healthcare systems by reducing medical costs to deal with sequelae of vaccine preventable diseases.

The updates to administrative rules regarding vaccinations standards for children are long overdue. The process to revise and update Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 11, Chapter 157, "Examination and Immunization"—which detail the pediatric, child care center, compulsory school, and post-secondary school examination and immunization requirements in the State of Hawaii—is remarkably long and arduous. As a stakeholder in the community, HIC has worked closely with DOH on this process, as it has met statutory requirements necessary for successful adoption and implementation of updated rules, which has taken many years of careful, continual work. We are excited to hear that DOH is ready for the final steps of the adoption and approval process. Once these revised rules are adopted, thanks to the provisions of Act 231, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, any future updates will be able to be adopted in an expedited manner.

Timely and updated vaccination standards set by the State of Hawaii, and specifically the Department of Health, will protect keiki who are most vulnerable to vaccine preventable diseases:

- More than 732,000 American lives were saved by childhood vaccination in the past 20 years.
- Updated vaccination standards will keep our communities safe for children who **can** get vaccinated and for those who **cannot** because of medical reasons.
- Updated vaccination standards will increase **herd immunity**—for example, at least 93% of the school population is vaccinated—to protect Hawaii's children from preventable infections and outbreaks.

By approving this resolution, we can ensure the best standards of care are recommended to protect all keiki in Hawaii from vaccine-preventable diseases

The Hawaii Immunization Coalition (HIC) is a state-wide, community-based non-profit 501(c) 3 coalition of public and private organizations and concerned individuals whose mission is to promote effective strategies to ensure that all of

The Hawaii Immunization Coalition (HIC) is a statewide, community-based 501C (3) non-profit organization working to ensure all of Hawaii's families are appropriately vaccinated against vaccine-preventable diseases

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Hawaii's families are appropriately vaccinated against vaccine-preventable diseases. Focus: Immunizations across the lifespan. The coalition has been active in Hawaii since 1979 and has more than four hundred immunization supporters.

**We respectfully request that SCR156 be supported and passed for the reasons noted above.**

Thank you for your consideration.

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Laurie Field	Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii	Support	No

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April 13, 2017 at 10:30am  
Conference Room 329

**House Committee on Health**  
**House Committee on Human Services**

To: Representative Della Au Belatti, Chair (HLT)  
Representative Bertrand Kobayashi, Vice Chair (HLT)  
Representative Dee Morikawa, Chair (HUS)  
Representative Chris Todd, Vice Chair (HUS)

From: Michael Robinson  
Vice President & Government Relations

**Re: SCR156**

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My name is Michael Robinson, Vice President and Government Affairs at Hawai'i Pacific Health. Hawai'i Pacific Health is a not-for-profit health care system with over 70 locations statewide including medical centers, clinics, physicians and other caregivers serving Hawai'i and the Pacific Region with high quality, compassionate care. Its four medical centers – Kapi'olani, Pali Momi, Straub and Wilcox – specialize in innovative programs in women's health, pediatric care, cardiovascular services, cancer care, bone and joint services and more. Hawai'i Pacific Health is recognized nationally for its excellence in patient care and the use of electronic health records to improve quality and patient safety.

HPH writes in support of SCR 156 which urges the Department of Health to adopt and implement administrative rules to update standards of vaccinations for children. It is important for our State to have consistent and publicized standards to ensure that all children and families are informed on the most appropriate vaccinations that should be administered to ensure optimum public health.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SCR 156.

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Kaulana Dameg	Individual	Support	No

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## RATTIKA OU, MSW CANDIDATE 2017

**April 12, 2017**

State Capitol, Conference Room 329

House Committee on Health (HLT)

Representative Della Au Belatti, Chair (HLT)

Representative Bertrand Kobayashi, Vice Chair (HLT)

Description Companion Package: HCR162

Current Referral: HLT, FIN

Introducer(s): BAKER, KEITH-AGARAN, KIDANI, K. RHOADS, S. Chang, Espero,  
Galuteria, Ihara, Kim, Nishiara, Shimabukuro, Wakai

**RE: SCR156 - Testimony in Support**

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My name is Rattika Ou, a student from University of Hawaii, Myron B. Thompson School of Social Work in the MSW program, expecting to graduate Spring 2017.

**I am writing in support of SCR156** in urging the Department of Health to adopt and implement administrative rules to update standards of vaccinations for children. I believe it is critical that we vaccinate our children because they are our nation's future and we must ensure the well-being of the children. In efforts of that, immunizations are one aspect in producing optimum public health.

Currently Hawaii is ranked 16th in the 2015 annual report according to America's Health Rankings under the United Health Foundation compared to the other states in vaccinations. Therefore, it is important that US update the standards of vaccinations for children and be consistent in the administration of this.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SCR 156.



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Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

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April 12, 2017

To: Representative Della Belatti, Chair of House Health Committee and members of the House Health Committee

From: Cheryl Toyofuku, Pearl City, HI [hjhcnt@gmail.com](mailto:hjhcnt@gmail.com)

Re: Opposition to SCR 156 and SCR 157

Hearing: Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in State Capitol Room 329

Please oppose SCR 156 and SCR 157, resolutions **that promote more vaccines and questionable vaccine policies**. Over the years, Hawaii legislative measures have NOT been protecting our keiki and ohana from increasing amounts of vaccines being given and eventually mandated. This is not adequate health care for our children and families. There have been **escalating concerns about the safety and effectiveness of vaccinations**, coupled with horrendous side effects and adverse reactions that should cause our lawmakers to do a diligent research on vaccine policies. There are more fraudulent exposures, investigations and whistle-blowing at the CDC (and its Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices), the agency with often questionable vaccine research studies and that recommends the vaccine policies and vaccine schedule.

**You are encouraged to do in-depth research** into vaccine toxic ingredients, profit-driven agendas to mandate vaccines, VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System), lack of vaccine long-term safety research in combination vaccines, health risks and harm, etc. There are numerous books, dvds, literature, websites to assist with your research. Here is one comprehensive website that provides scientific research validation articles, physician and parent testimonials, links to documentaries, etc.: <https://www.learntherisk.org/>

**Why Are American Children So Sick?:** *"If so many children are experiencing health problems, something we are doing throughout the country must be affecting the younger population. It is my belief that an increase in childhood vaccinations is the culprit."*

[http://newsletters.newsmax.com/brownstein/issues/children0317/0317\\_Brownstein.pdf](http://newsletters.newsmax.com/brownstein/issues/children0317/0317_Brownstein.pdf)

## **Is Vaccine Injury One in a Million?**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6y09WNx4njY&t=4s>

## **CDC & FDA Lied About Vaccine Safety**

**February 4, 2017**

<http://www.libertyheadlines.com/cdc-fda-lied-vaccine-safety/?AID=7236>

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**SCR156**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dawn Poiani	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Dawn Poiani Honolulu, HI 96813 Oppose bill SCR156 It is important that the State of Hawaii maintains its own health care agenda's regarding vaccinations especially in these times as more information regarding the safety of the vaccine schedule is studied. There have never been any studies regarding the synergistic effect of all the ingredients of the vaccine schedule. There has never been a study of the safety of receiving six vaccines in one visit. Although we would like to be able to trust the CDC it seems that the science is not complete regarding the current vaccine schedule and therefore the state of Hawaii should remain separated from the recommendations passed down from the CDC. Thank you for your considerations of this subject

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