

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

825

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 696

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. 696
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate the month of
September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month to increase public
awareness of suicide prevention education, resources, and support
services available in Hawaii to individuals, families, and
communities.

The United States Army Suicide Prevention Program, Mental
Health America of Hawaii, Hawaii Catholic Conference, Hawaii
Family Forum, Oahu Prevent Suicide Hawaii Taskforce, and several
individuals testified in support of this measure.

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. 696
and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the
calendar for Third Reading.

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

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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



