## STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1717 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 28 , <sup>2018</sup>

RE: H.C.R. No. 222

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 222 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO HIRE A STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF RAT LUNGWORM DISEASE AND OTHER ZOONOTIC DISEASES IN THE STATE'S HUMAN POPULATION AND TO SUPPORT STATEWIDE EFFORTS IN PROTECTING AND IMPROVING HUMAN HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Health to prevent the spread of rat lungworm disease and other zoonotic diseases in human populations by hiring a State Veterinary Medical Officer.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources and one concerned individual submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Health submitted comments.

Your Committee notes that the Department of Health testified that fulfilling the request made in this measure would require additional funding to provide a competitive salary for a wellqualified public health veterinarian.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of



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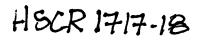
H.C.R. No. 222 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health & Human Services,

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State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature



## Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 222	Committee Referral: HHS, FIN			<sup>bate:</sup> 3-21-18	
□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold    Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
HHS Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)		/			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)					
3. BELATTI, Della Au				. Concerns and the second	and the second
4. LEARMONT, Lei R.					
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5. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.		•			
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TOTAL (5)		4	-	~	1
The recommendation is:  Adopted  Not Adopted    If joint referral,					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO					