

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1371

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2017

RE: S.B. No. 739

S.D. 1

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 Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 739, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the scope of practice of behavioral analysis for which a license is required and to clarify who may provide behavioral analysis or applied behavioral analysis services regardless of licensure.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Hawai'i Psychological Association, and several individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Hawaii Disability Rights Center and many individuals. The Department of Health, Behavioral Intervention Certification Council, Behavioral Health Center, Inc., Autism Behavior Services, Inc., and a few individuals provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that registered behavioral technicians may provide applied behavioral analysis services under the supervision of a licensed professional; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity and consistency.

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 S.B. No. 739, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 739, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



