

SB 2053

SD1 HD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ATHLETIC TRAINERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that chapter 436H, Hawaii
2 Revised Statutes, which establishes a regulatory scheme for
3 athletic trainers, is scheduled to sunset on June 30, 2018.

4 The legislature further finds that Auditor Report No. 17-08,
5 recommended that the current registration requirement for
6 athletic trainers should be extended. Specifically, the
7 Auditor's Report found that:

8 (1) Athletic trainers are healthcare professionals who
9 provide injury prevention, treatment and assessment of
10 injuries, and rehabilitation of injuries, among other
11 services. Athletic trainers also provide emergency
12 medical care and are involved in concussion monitoring
13 and education. The services that an athletic trainer
14 provides may affect the health and safety of athletes,
15 and the proficiencies required by the current
16 regulatory scheme are reasonably necessary to protect
17 athletes under an athletic trainer's care;



1 (2) The current regulation of athletic trainers does not
2 impose unreasonable restrictions on individuals
3 entering the profession and does not meaningfully
4 increase the cost of athletic trainer services; and

5 (3) The public interest requires that the profession of
6 athletic trainer continue to be regulated and the
7 program requiring athletic trainers to register with
8 the department of commerce and consumer affairs be
9 continued.

10 The legislature additionally finds that the regulation of
11 athletic trainers should be made permanent in the interest of
12 public health and safety.

13 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make permanent
14 the regulation of athletic trainers under chapter 436H, Hawaii
15 Revised Statutes.

16 SECTION 2. Section 26H-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "§26H-4 Repeal dates for newly enacted professional and
19 vocational regulatory programs. (a) Any professional or
20 vocational regulatory program enacted after January 1, 1994, and
21 listed in this section shall be repealed as specified in this



1 section. The auditor shall perform an evaluation of the
2 program, pursuant to section 26H-5, prior to its repeal date.

3 ~~[(b) Chapter 436H (athletic trainers) shall be repealed on~~
4 ~~June 30, 2018.~~

5 ~~(e)]~~ (b) Chapter 465D (behavior analysts) shall be
6 repealed on June 30, 2021.

7 ~~[(d)]~~ (c) Chapter 466L (appraisal management companies)
8 shall be repealed on June 30, 2023."

9 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

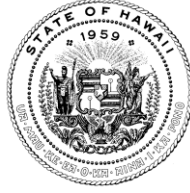
Athletic Trainers; Regulation; Sunset Repeal

Description:

Makes permanent the regulation of athletic trainers. (SB2053 HD1)

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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2018

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
2:15 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2053, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, RELATING TO ATHLETIC TRAINERS.

TO THE HONORABLE ROY M. TAKUMI, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Kedin Kleinhans, and I am the Executive Officer of the Athletic Trainers Program with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of S.B. 2053, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Athletic Trainers.

This measure makes permanent the regulation of athletic trainers, which is scheduled to sunset on June 30, 2018.

The Department supports this bill and agrees with Auditor Report No. 17-08, as the current registration requirement for athletic trainers is reasonably necessary to protect the public interest. The Department also agrees that the current regulation of athletic trainers does not impose unreasonable restrictions on individuals entering the profession.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of S.B. 2053, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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Date: 03/21/2018

Time: 02:15 PM

Location: 329

Committee: House Consumer Protection and
Commerce

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 2053, SD1, HD1 RELATING TO ATHLETIC TRAINERS.

Purpose of Bill: Makes permanent the regulation of athletic trainers. (SB2053 HD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) supports SB 2053, SD1, HD1.

Certified Athletic Health Care Trainers (AHCT) are health care providers who specialize in the prevention, assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation of injuries and illnesses of student athletes participating in various athletic events in Hawaii. Since its passage in 2012, the Athletic Trainer Registration Act has been successful in establishing a registration procedure that authenticates qualified athletic trainers and manages complaints in Hawaii. The impetus has been to increase the safety for our high school student athletes who participate in competitive sports by ensuring only qualified and knowledgeable personnel are hired.

As the Department values the positive impact AHCTs have on our student athletes, the Department supports making permanent the current registration requirement for athletic trainers.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on SB 2053 SD1, HD1.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.

Testimony on behalf of the Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association

Support for S.B. 2053 SD1 HD1

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

2:15 PM, Room 329

To: Chair Roy M. Takumi and Members of the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce:

My name is Darryl Funai and I am testifying on behalf of the Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association (HATA) in strong support of S.B. 2053 SD1 HD1 with one amendment to make the date effective, "upon approval".

HATA is the professional membership association for Certified Athletic Trainers in our state. Certified Athletic Trainers are health care providers who specialize in the prevention, assessment, treatment and rehabilitation of injuries and illnesses of athletes participating in various athletic events in Hawaii. Athletic Trainers are employed in all Hawaii's public schools, some private schools, colleges, Universities, hospitals, physician offices, clinics, and by the military.

Since its enactment in 2012, The Athletic Trainer Registration Act has been successful in establishing a registration procedure that authenticates qualified athletic trainers and manages complaints. The main success has been to increase the safety for Hawaii athletes and especially the many youth participating in competitive sports. HATA strongly supports making permanent the current registration requirement for athletic trainers.

We respectfully request the committee to amend this measure by making the date effective upon approval. All parties are in support of making the registration process permanent and there are no fiscal implications or other reasons to warrant any further discussion on the matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure and please let me know if you have any questions.