

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1694

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2019

RE: S.C.R. No. 169
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred S.C.R. No. 169 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING APRIL AS ORGAN
DONOR AWARENESS MONTH IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to designate April
as Organ Donor Awareness Month in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health, Legacy of Life Hawai'i, and one
individual.

Your Committee finds that organ transplantation is regarded
as a standard medical treatment for a number of medical conditions
and diseases, including chronic kidney disease. Survival rates
following an organ transplant are impressive, and donated vital
organs from one person can save the lives of up to eight people in
need of an organ transplant. Yet your Committee finds that
despite the growing number of successful transplant operations
each year, more than one hundred thousand people nationwide remain
on organ donation waiting lists and an average of twenty people
die each day due to a lack of available organs for transplant. In
Hawaii, more than four hundred people are waiting for life-saving
organ transplants. Awareness regarding the importance of organ
donation is needed to increase the number of organ donors, and



designating April as Donate Life Month may encourage Hawaii residents to learn more about organ donation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Replacing references to Organ Donor Awareness Month with Donate Life Month to accurately reflect and parallel the national designation;
- (2) Updating the title accordingly; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 169, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 169, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce, Consumer
Protection, and Health,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
CPH

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 169	CPH	3/28/19		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310				
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)				/
KEOHOKALOOLE, Jarrett	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
TOTAL	4			3
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted				
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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