

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2019

RE: S.C.R. No. 189
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. 189 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE STATE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY ISSUES AND PROBLEMS AND PROPOSE INITIATIVES TO IMPROVE THE SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Health to conduct a study of the State Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services System to identify issues and problems and propose initiatives to improve the system.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from American Medical Response and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds the State Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services System ensures the effective and coordinated delivery of health care services under emergency conditions. To achieve this, the State Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services System provides personnel, personnel training, emergency transportation, facilities, coordination with emergency medical and critical care services, mandatory standard medical recordkeeping, consumer information and education, independent review and evaluation, and disaster linkage among other services.



Your Committee further finds that, like any large and complex system, it takes constant attention to ensure system cohesiveness, diagnose system weaknesses, and implement improvements. For this reason, the Department of Health is requested to conduct a study on the State Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services System to identify issues and problems and propose initiatives to improve the system.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Updating the findings to acknowledge the upcoming National Highway Traffic Safety Administration review of the state system;
- (2) Requesting the Department of Health to include in its report to the Legislature an update regarding the outcome of the National Highway Traffic Safety statewide review; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment 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. 189, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 189, 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

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SCR 189	CPH, WAM	3/20/19		
<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)	✓			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	7			
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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