

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1447
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1447
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PALLIATIVE CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support activities that increase the utilization of palliative care in Hawaii by requiring the Department of Health to establish a culturally competent Palliative Care Pilot Program (Pilot Program) to promote public education and the development of practices specific to the State's unique cultural norms, and appropriating funds for the Pilot Program.

The Department of Health, University of Hawai'i John A. Burns School of Medicine, The Queen's Health Systems, St. Francis Healthcare System, Hawai'i Pacific Health, Kōkua Mau, Hawaii Family Forum, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, Hawai'i Care Choices, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and many individuals supported this measure. American Nurses Association in Hawaii provided comments.

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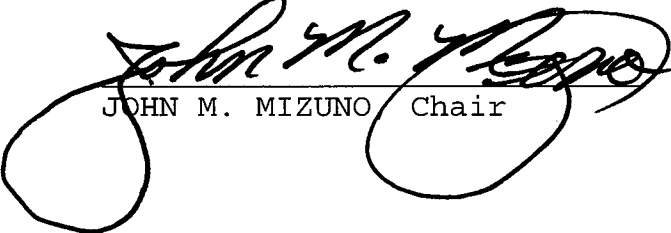


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Health to collaborate with a registered nurse or advanced practice registered nurse in administering the Pilot Program;
- (2) Changing the amount appropriated for the Pilot Program to an unspecified amount; and
- (3) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

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 H.B. No. 1447, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1447, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO Chair



