

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 7, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 873
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. 873
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHING HOSPITALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to study
the impact and feasibility of creating a teaching hospital on west
Hawaii island.

The University of Hawai'i System, Mayor of the County of
Hawai'i, and O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of
the Democratic Party of Hawai'i supported this measure.


Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the
effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

Your Committee notes that the John A. Burns School of
Medicine has conducted workforce studies that indicate that the
State is nearly 800 physicians short, across all disciplines, when
compared to national norms. However, it has been shown that
physicians who train in Hawaii remain in the State to practice.



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. 873, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 873, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Lower & Higher Education.

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


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



