

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2917
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2917, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow authorized employees of the Department of Health, Med-Quest Program to access information stored in the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP); and
- (2) Allow licensed health care providers or delegates of such providers employed by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to access information stored in the PDMP.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety and Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that the PDMP increases Hawaii's public health surveillance capacity to better protect the community from prescribing practices that are of concern, especially the over-prescription of opioids. This measure aligns with the Hawaii Opioid Initiative and will enhance the Department of Human



Services' clinical and program integrity efforts by allowing for greater access to the system.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2917, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



