

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1716

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 13 2021

RE: H.C.R. No. 59
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.C.R.
No. 59, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING
ONGOING COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE
STRATEGY TO ELIMINATE VIRAL HEPATITIS TYPES A, B, AND C IN
HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to recognize and
support ongoing efforts by state agencies and private
organizations to implement the "Hep Free 2030" statewide strategy
to eliminate viral hepatitis types A, B, and C in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health, Hawai'i Health & Harm Reduction
Center, Hep Free Hawai'i, Hawaii Island HIV/AIDS Foundation,
Hawai'i Public Health Association, and twenty individuals. Your
Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from
one individual.

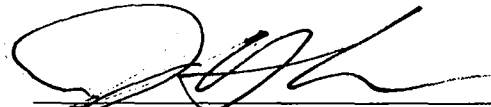
Your Committee finds that approximately sixty-three thousand
people in Hawaii are living with viral hepatitis types B or C, and
many persons may be unaware that they are infected. On July 28,
2020, the United States Senators for Hawaii, Lieutenant Governor,
and the Harm Reduction Services Branch of the Department of Health
issued "Hep Free 2030", a ten-year statewide strategy to help



eliminate viral hepatitis types A, B, and C in Hawaii. This measure recognizes and supports the ongoing efforts to implement the Hep Free 2030 statewide strategy and requests the House Committee on Health, Human Services, and Homelessness and Senate Committee on Health to convene joint informational briefings to assess the progress of the Hep Free 2030 statewide strategy implementation and to receive any proposed legislation that the Executive Director of Hep Free Hawaii may submit for the Regular Session of 2022.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 59, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

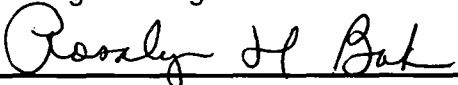


JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



The Senate
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State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HCR 59 HD1	Committee Referral: HTH, WAM	Date: 4-9-2021		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOPE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn (VC)	✓			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	5	-	-	-
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes