

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 936
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Tourism, to which was referred S.B. No. 936, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to disseminate information regarding seizure first aid; and
- (2) Employers to post materials provided by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to educate employees with respect to seizure first aid.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from thirteen individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations' testimony in opposition stated that the Department's mission does not relate to mandates in public health. In addition, medical conditions such as seizures are not

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recognized workplace hazards and critical seizure safety information is downloadable through the Epilepsy Foundation.

Your Committee further finds that the Department of Health has general charge, oversight, and care of the health and lives of the people of the State and would be a more appropriate department to assume the tasks outlined in this measure.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by placing the responsibility for implementation with the Department of Health under chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, rather than the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations under chapter 371, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 936, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 936, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Tourism,



RICHARD H.K. ONISHI, Chair



