

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1282  
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B.  
No. 1282, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRANSITION OF THE OAHU  
REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FROM THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS  
CORPORATION INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Commence the transfer of the Oahu Regional Health Care System in its entirety from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to the Department of Health, beginning with the transfer of the Oahu Regional Health Care System's budget into the Department of Health;
- (2) Enable the Oahu Regional Health Care System, Department of Health, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and other state agencies to implement the processes and transactions required to effectuate the completion of the transition;
- (3) Require the Department of Health to consult with the University of Hawaii regarding services provided at Leahi Hospital and Maluhia, and allow University of



Hawaii students to rotate through those facilities for training purposes;

- (4) Authorize the Department of Health to pay rent to the University of Hawaii for the use of the Leahi Hospital property at a rate and on terms to be negotiated between the Department of Health and the University of Hawaii;
- (5) Clarify the rights, powers, and exemptions held by the Oahu Regional Health Care System during the transition period and the rights, powers, and exemptions held by the Inpatient Services Division of the Department of Health following completion of the transfer;
- (6) Appropriate monies from the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Special Fund to expand and operate programs at Leahi Hospital and Maluhia that are mutually advantageous to the Department of Health, the Oahu region, and the State; and
- (7) Authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriate the proceeds of the bonds for improvements at Leahi Hospital and Maluhia.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, University of Hawai'i System, Oahu Region of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and The Queen's Health Systems. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1282, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



