STAND. COM. REP. NO. 514 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2318 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 2318 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require psychologists licensed in the State to complete at least three hours of continuing education per licensing biennium on topics relating to cultural diversity, cultural competence, or health equity.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Stonewall Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Hawai'i Psychological Association, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Board of Psychology.

Your Committee finds that Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and other persons of color experience disparities in mental health care. Your Committee further finds that an individual's culture can influence the symptomatic expression of mental illness, making cultural competence critical for accurate diagnosis and effective care. This measure ensures members of minority communities receive culturally appropriate mental health care by requiring psychologists licensed in the State to complete at least three hours of continuing education per

licensing biennium on topics relating to cultural diversity, cultural competence, or health equity.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2318, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2318, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness,

RYA. I. AMANE, Chair

State of Hawaii

House of Representatives
The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HHH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	J			
2. TAM, Adrian K. (VC)	V	4.14		
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
4. HAR, Sharon E.	J			
5. KAPELA, Jeanne	V			
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TOTAL (7)	6			1
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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