STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2131

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3125 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 3125 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR COVID-19 VACCINATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation to support coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccination activities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, Hawai'i Primary Care Association, and Hawaii Medical Service Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that in support of COVID-19 vaccination efforts, the State has received funding from the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency. This funding will expire in April of 2022. While Hawaii is among the top ten states in vaccine doses administered per population, in certain rural and marginalized communities, the vaccination rate remains below sixty percent. Thus, these communities remain highly vulnerable to future COVID-19 infection surges. This measure provides emergency funding to the Department of Health to support vaccination efforts across the State.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3125, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3125, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

KEOHOKALOLE, Chair

The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Health HTH

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)) Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)		V			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.					
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.					
FEVELLA, Kurt					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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