

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1567

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2023

RE: S.R. No. 118

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred S.R. No. 118 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE CENTER FOR NURSING TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND IMPACT OF THE STATE ADOPTING THE NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Hawaii State Center for Nursing to convene a working group to study the feasibility and impact of the State adopting the Nurse Licensure Compact.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Service Association, The Queen's Health System, Kūpuna Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and Hawai'i Pacific Health. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Board of Nursing, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing, and Grassroot Institute of Hawaii.

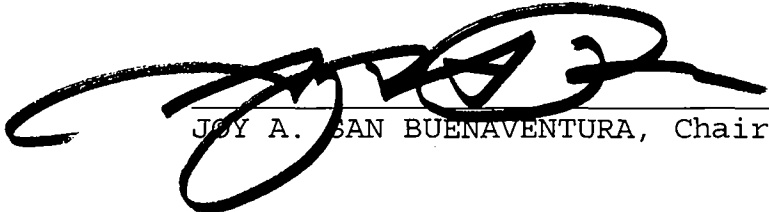
Your Committee finds that there is a statewide shortage of nurses. The Nurse Licensure Compact would enable nurses to practice in various jurisdictions without needing to obtain additional licensures and has the potential to increase the nursing workforce available to the State. While the Nurse Licensure Compact has the potential to alleviate the nurse



shortage in the State, questions remain regarding the regulation of out-of-state nurses and the Compact's impact on the State's existing licensure infrastructure. Convening a working group to study the feasibility and implications of the State adopting the Nurse Licensure Compact would provide an opportunity to answer these questions and fully explore other concerns.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health and Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 118 and recommends its adoption.

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

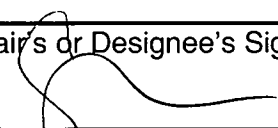


JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SR 118	HHS	3/24/23		
<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
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)				X
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (VC)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
AWA, Brenton		X MA	X	
TOTAL	3	0	1	1
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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