

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1526-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28, 2024

RE: H.C.R. No. 125
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Homelessness, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 125 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TELEHEALTH WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE THE IMPACT OF WIDESPREAD TELEHEALTH ADOPTION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND IDENTIFY PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVES AT THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVEL TO OPTIMIZE TELEHEALTH UTILIZATION AS THE STATE TRANSITIONS OUT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the establishment of a Telehealth Working Group to examine the impact of widespread telehealth adoption during the COVID-19 pandemic and identify public policy initiatives at the federal and state level to optimize telehealth utilization as the state transitions out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; Department of Human Services; State Health Planning and Development Agency; University of Hawaii College of Social Sciences and John A. Burns School of Medicine; Queen's Health System; Hawaii Medical Service Association; Hawaii Health Information Exchange; and Grassroots Institute of Hawaii. Your Committee received Comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

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Your Committee has amended the measure by:

- (1) Amending the composition of the working group; and
- (2) Making technical, non-substantive amendments for the purpose of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 125, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 125, H.D. 1.

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


for GIULIA DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



