

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 , 2023

RE: H.B. No. 1449
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 1449 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LUNG CANCER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make permanent the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force established by Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health, University of Hawai'i Cancer Center, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa John A. Burns School of Medicine, American Lung Association, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Hawai'i Public Health Association, Hawaii Medical Association, AlohaCare, The Queen's Health System, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

Your Committee finds that lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths for men and women in Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, established the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force (Task Force) to research the steps and resources necessary to increase early lung cancer screening in Hawaii. However, due to changes in leadership in various state and county departments, the initial meeting of the

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Task Force was delayed. This measure is intended to address and reduce the impact of lung cancer on the State by allowing the Task Force to meet as needed in perpetuity.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Extending the duration of the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force to July 31, 2025, rather than allowing the Task Force to meet in perpetuity;
- (2) Requiring the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force to submit an additional report to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the Regular Session of 2025;
- (3) Changing the date for the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force final report to July 31, 2025;
- (4) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount;
- (5) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it deliberate on this measure, to consider an appropriation amount of \$250,000.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1449, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1449, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



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

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