

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 , 2024

RE: H.C.R. No. 144

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. 144 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND HAWAII PSYCHIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO CONVENE A ROUNDTABLE TO ESTABLISH MEDICAL PROTOCOLS TO ENSURE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL'S THYROID FUNCTION IS TESTED BEFORE PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS FOR MENTAL ILLNESS ARE PRESCRIBED,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii Medical Association and Hawaii Psychiatric Medical Association to convene a roundtable to establish medical protocols to ensure that an individual's thyroid function is tested before psychotropic medications for mental illness are prescribed.

Your Committee received testimony in support from the Hawaii Disability Rights Center and four individuals.

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. 144 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



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

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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HCR 144</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HLT, CPC</b>	Date: <b>3/20/2024</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)	✓			
3. AMATO, Terez	✓			
4. ILAGAN, Greggor	✓			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				✓
6. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
8. GARCIA, Diamond	✓			
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>Della Au</i>				
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