

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1533-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28, 2024

RE: H.R. No. 166
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.R. No. 166 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO EXPLORE AVENUES TO ENSURE CONTINUED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE MEDICATIONS FOR THE STATE'S UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS UNDER THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM AND URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND RELEVANT FEDERAL AGENCIES TO MONITOR PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Health to explore avenues to ensure continued access to affordable medications for the State's underserved populations under the 340B drug pricing program and urging Hawaii's congressional delegation and relevant federal agencies to monitor pharmaceutical companies and take appropriate actions to protect the integrity of the 340B drug pricing program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Primary Care Association; Healthcare Association of Hawaii; and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America.

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This measure has been amended by:

- (1) Inserting language to include the Governor, and Department of Human Services in addition to the Department of Health to explore avenues and to ensure continued access to affordable medications under the 340B Drug Pricing Program;
- (2) Amending the title to reflect the inclusion of the Governor and Department of Human Services;
- (3) Inserting language to include federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) in addition to hospitals; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive 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.R. No. 166, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 166, H.D. 1.

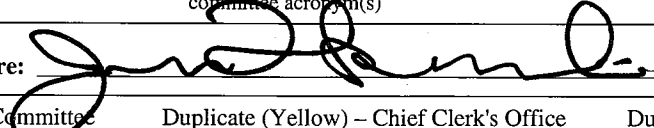
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health &
Homelessness,


For JESSICA AU BELATTI, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HR 166</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HLT, FIN</i>	Date: <i>3/27/24</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. TAKENOUCI, Jenna (VC)	/			
3. AMATO, Terez	/			
4. ILAGAN, Greggor	/			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				/
6. MARTEN, Lisa	/			
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				/
8. GARCIA, Diamond	/			
TOTAL (8)	6	0	0	2
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: 				
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