

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1499  
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which  
was referred H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize public school  
employees or agents who have completed appropriate training to act  
as volunteer substitutes to administer medications to students  
consistent with standards applicable to school health assistants.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Education; Department of Health; University  
of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene;  
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa John A. Burns School of Medicine;  
Hawai'i State Center for Nursing; and three individuals. Your  
Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from  
one individual.

Your Committee finds that access to certain medications  
during school may be necessary for the attendance of students with  
a health condition. School health assistants play a vital student  
support role by administering needed medications to students.  
Under existing law, only school health assistants are authorized  
to administer routine medications. The reliance on a single  
person naturally creates challenges to consistent and efficient

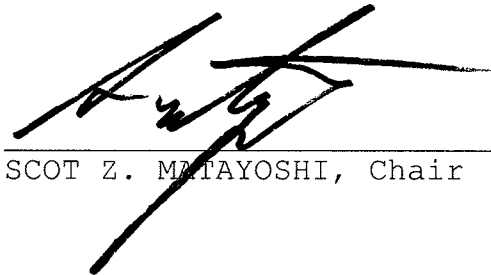


application and service delivery. The school health assistants cannot be in multiple locations at once, such as field trips, emergencies, or while assisting other students. This measure expands the pool of authorized persons to administer medications to properly trained volunteers, which will help maintain continuity of health services while upholding established safety and training standards.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Consumer  
Protection & Commerce,



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SCOT Z. MATSUYOSHI, Chair

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<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 1499, HD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EDN, CPC	<b>Date:</b> 2/19/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <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)				
<b>CPC Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (C)	✓			
2. CHUN, Cory M. (VC)	✓			
3. ILAGAN, Greggor	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco	✓			
6. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.				✓
8. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
9. TAM, Adrian K.	✓			
10. PIERICK, Elijah	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Signature: [Illegible])</div>				
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