

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3081

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2012

RE: S.R. No. 5

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.R. No. 5
entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO
ESTABLISH A STATE HEALTH PLAN INITIATIVE TO REDUCE THE
OCCURRENCES OF CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE IN
HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Department of Health to establish a state health initiative to
reduce the occurrences of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in
Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Health, the Hawaii COPD Coalition, and one
individual.

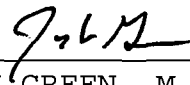
Your Committee finds that chronic obstructive pulmonary
disease is the third leading cause of death in the United States,
killing more than one hundred twenty thousand persons a year, or
one person every four minutes. In 2010 alone, this disease cost
the United States an estimated \$50,000,000,000 in direct and
indirect expenses. Your Committee also finds that though this
disease is progressive, it is also preventable and treatable,
though early screening and detection are critical. Consequently,
in order to reduce the State's future expenditures on health costs
and to improve the overall wellbeing of the residents of the
State, a preventive measure to reduce the occurrences of chronic
obstructive pulmonary disease in Hawaii is necessary.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 5 and recommends its adoption.

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

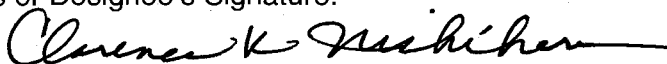


JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 5	Committee Referral: HTH	Date: 03-27-12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GREEN, M.D., Josh (C)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	4	0	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes