

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **596**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR - 1 2013**

RE: S.B. No. 665  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 665 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to address the shortage of primary care physicians in the State.

More specifically, this measure appropriates funds to the Hawaii Health Corps and diversity and primary care workforce expansion programs at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School Of Medicine.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Medical Association.

Your Committee finds that there is a shortage of primary care physicians in the State, especially in its rural areas. Your Committee finds that expanding the infrastructure and capacity of the current teaching hospitals will enable those facilities to train more medical residents and students who will be more likely to remain in Hawaii to practice medicine after their training is finished. Accordingly, your Committee finds that increasing the number of primary care physicians will improve access to medical care and preventative treatment for the residents of the State and help control health care costs.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Changing the appropriations to unspecified amounts; and
- (2) Changing the effective date from July 1, 2013, to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 665, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 665, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 665</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HTH, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2-21-13</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will				✓
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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