

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1137

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 34
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 Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.R. No. 34 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING COLLABORATION AMONG VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES TO IDENTIFY BARRIERS RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING TO THE FULL EXTENT OF THE NURSES' EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN THE STATE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request collaboration among various state agencies to identify barriers relating to the practice of advanced practice registered nursing to the full extent of the nurses' education and training in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Board of Nursing, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing, University of Hawai'i at Manoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene, University of Hawai'i Maui College, Hawaii Long Term Care Association, Hawai'i Association of Professional Nurses, and eleven individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General and Legislative Reference Bureau.

Your Committee finds that the Legislature has previously aligned Hawaii laws with national goals requiring the utilization of primary care providers, particularly Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, to the full extent of their education and



training. Advanced Practice Registered Nurses provide cost-effective, accessible, patient-centered care, including care coordination, chronic care management, and wellness and preventive care.

Your Committee further finds that the Hawaii State Center for Nursing has identified barriers in the form of obsolete language in the Hawaii Revised Statutes and Hawaii Administrative Rules that preclude or impede Advanced Practice Registered Nurses from practicing to the full extent of their education and training. This measure begins the process of removing barriers in the Hawaii Revised Statutes and Hawaii Administrative Rules to the practice of Advanced Practice Registered Nursing and underscores the fact that Advanced Practice Registered Nurses play a central role in nationwide health reform. This measure also clarifies the national goal for a transformed health system that provides wide access to essential health services, improves quality, and controls costs, which cannot be achieved without maximizing the contributions of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses.

Your Committee additionally finds that this measure requests the Department of the Attorney General to coordinate the various state agencies' positions and recommendations and prepare a draft report to submit to the Legislative Reference Bureau. Your Committee notes that this requirement may interfere with the Department of the Attorney General's role as a legal advisor to the individual agencies. Your Committee concludes that it would be more effective for the Hawaii State Center for Nursing to convene a working group composed of the various state agencies to identify Advanced Practice Registered Nursing scope of practice barriers, rather than requiring the Attorney General to obtain this information. Therefore, amendments to this measure are necessary.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

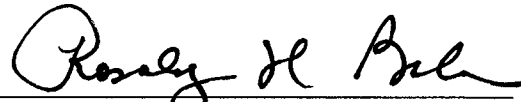
- (1) Clarifying that the assistance and recommendations of the Department of the Attorney General and Legislative Reference Bureau will be needed to identify Advanced Practice Registered Nursing scope of practice barriers;
- (2) Requesting the Hawaii State Center for Nursing to convene a working group composed of various state agencies to identify barriers relating to the practice of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses;



- (3) Specifying the state agencies to be represented on the working group;
- (4) Specifying that the working group may enlist the assistance of the Department of the Attorney General, other state agencies, or professional groups as needed to complete its task;
- (5) Requesting the working group to transmit a draft report of the working group's findings and recommendations to the Legislative Reference Bureau by November 1, 2013, rather than requiring the Department of the Attorney General to transmit a draft report;
- (6) Amending the organizations receiving a certified copy of this measure; and
- (7) Updating its title to reflect its amended purpose.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 34, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 34, S.D. 1.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 34	Committee Referral: CPN, WAM	Date: 3/27/13		
<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
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama				✓
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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