

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 3, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2052

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2052 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROVIDER ORDERS FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enable greater access to the Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) law, Chapter 327K, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), by:

- (1) Amending references from "physician orders for life-sustaining treatment" to "provider orders for life-sustaining treatment" in the POLST law, to reflect that physicians are not the only primary care providers who may sign a POLST form;
- (2) Expanding health care provider signatory authority to include advanced practice registered nurses; and
- (3) Correcting inconsistencies in the POLST law with respect to terms that reflect who may sign a POLST form on behalf of a patient.

The Executive Office on Aging, Hawai'i Pacific Health, Straub Clinic & Hospital, Hawaii State Center for Nursing, The Queen's Health Systems, Hawaii Medical Service Association, American Association of Nurse Practitioners, Hawaii Association of Professional Nurses, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and

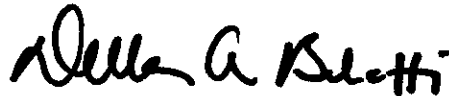
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numerous individuals supported this measure. University Health Alliance and two individuals commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2052 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce.

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



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

HSCR 72-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 2052</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HLT, CPC, JUD</i>	Date: <i>1/29/14</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele				✓
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo				✓
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	✓			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	8			2
The recommendation is: <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>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>[Signature]</i>				
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