

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2615

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2472
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2472, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require licensure, rather than registration, of occupational therapists and to also require licensure for occupational therapy assistants.

Your Committee received written comments in support of the measure from the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, the Occupational Therapy Association of Hawaii, the outpatient staff at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that licensure of occupational therapists and their assistants will provide the highest form of government regulation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the penalty amount for violations of the occupational therapy law to an unspecified figure;



- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate discussion on the measure; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, style, and consistency.

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. 2472, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2472, S.D. 2.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB2472 SD1</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HTH/CPN, WAM</i>	Date: <i>2-20-14</i>		
<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	✓			
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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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