

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

716

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 589

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 589, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STROKE CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce death and disability from stroke by requiring the Department of Health to:

- (1) Establish a stroke system of care, including requirements for hospitals, development of emergency services, and a statewide stroke database to help evaluate and improve stroke care throughout the State; and
- (2) Convene a Stroke Coalition to evaluate and develop effective statewide policies and collect information regarding stroke patient care.

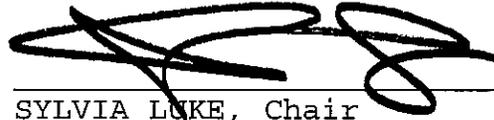
The Queen's Health Systems, Hawaii Neurological Society, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, American Heart Association, Hawai'i Pacific Health, and an individual testified in support of this measure. The Department of Health and the American Heart/American Stroke Association provided comments.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 589, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



