

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

657

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2017

RE: S.B. No. 946  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 946 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY TO ADJUST PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING FEES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (Division) of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs with the flexibility to decrease or increase certain licensing fees.

Specifically, this measure allows the Division, subject to the approval of the Governor, to adjust fees for:

- (1) Athletic trainers, behavior analysts, mixed martial arts, respiratory therapists, uniform athlete agents, and veterinary technicians; and
- (2) Any future board, commission, program, or entity created pursuant to title 25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and assigned to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs or placed within that department for administrative purposes.



The Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs submitted written comments in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that existing law already provides for increasing or decreasing fees pertaining to the regulation of various professions. However, the law has not been updated since 2007, and therefore does not include the six new licensed areas specified in the measure. Your Committee further finds that this measure will allow the Division to timely adjust its fees in a fair and impartial manner.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to June 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

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. 946, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 946, S.D. 1.

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



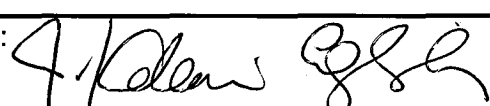
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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 946	CPH, WAM	23 Feb 2017		
<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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				/
KAHELE, Kaiali'i				/
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				/
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	7			4
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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