

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1772

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 03 2019

RE: H.B. No. 898  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,  
to which was referred H.B. No. 898 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to abolish the  
Board of Health.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that the Board of Health was established  
to be an advisory board for the Director of Health. However, the  
Board's role has been made redundant by the evolution of state and  
federal regulations, community standards of practice, grant  
guidance, and legislative oversight. Your Committee notes that  
the Board of Health has been vacant for the past several years.  
Your Committee further finds that abolishing the Board of Health  
would more accurately reflect the reality of decision making at  
the Department of Health and would reduce the administrative  
burden on the Department.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

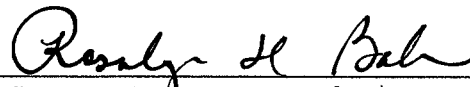
- (1) Inserting a purpose section; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 898, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 898, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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




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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health**  
**CPH**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 898	CPH	3/19/19		
<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)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)	✓			
KEOHOKALOOLE, Jarrett	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.		✓		
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	1		1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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