

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1179 H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1179, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RURAL EMERGENCY HOSPITALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Provide a statutory framework for the licensure of rural emergency hospitals by the Department of Health; and
- (2) Provide for the continuation of Medicaid policy protections for hospitals transitioning to a rural emergency hospital designation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Corporate Board of Directors; Healthcare Association of Hawaii; Maui Health System; and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

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. 1179, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1179, HD1		ee Referral: PC , PIN	Dat	"2/21/25	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
FIN Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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15. REYES ODA, Julie		1			
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The recommendation is:	.dopted	Not Adopted			
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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