

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1045

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1499
H.D. 2

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize public school employees or agents who have completed appropriate training to act as volunteer substitutes to administer medications to students consistent with standards applicable to school health assistants.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; Department of Health; University of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene; University of Hawai'i at Mānoa John A. Burns School of Medicine; Hawai'i State Center for Nursing; and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that access to certain medications during school may be necessary for the attendance of students with a health condition. School health assistants play a vital student support role by administering needed medications to students. Under existing law, only school health assistants are authorized to administer routine medications. The reliance on a single person naturally creates challenges to consistent and efficient

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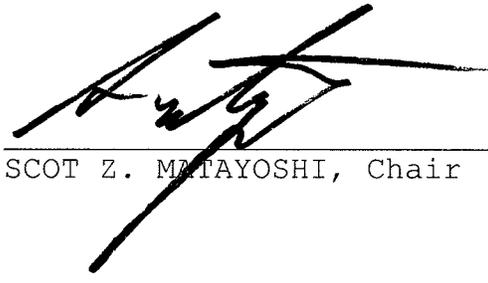


application and service delivery. The school health assistants cannot be in multiple locations at once, such as field trips, emergencies, or while assisting other students. This measure expands the pool of authorized persons to administer medications to properly trained volunteers, which will help maintain continuity of health services while upholding established safety and training standards.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1499, H.D. 2.

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



SCOT Z. MIYOSHI, Chair



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The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1499, HD1	Committee Referral: EDN, CPC	Date: 2/19/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (C)	✓			
2. CHUN, Cory M. (VC)	✓			
3. ILAGAN, Greggor	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco	✓			
6. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.				✓
8. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
9. TAM, Adrian K.	✓			
10. PIERICK, Elijah	✓			
TOTAL (10)	9			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
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