

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 86
S.D. 1
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 Health, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 86, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE AN AEROMEDICAL SERVICES WORKING GROUP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Health to convene an Aeromedical Services Working Group.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; Air Methods; Hawaii Medical Association; The Daniel R. Sayre Memorial Foundation; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that most rural communities must rely on the State's aeromedical system for access to advanced levels of trauma care, including accessing medical specialists and subspecialists in an emergency medical situation, which puts residents in these communities at greater risk of poor health outcomes for serious medical conditions such as heart attacks, strokes, or traumatic bodily injuries. Your Committee further finds that because the State's current aeromedical system is served by a single statewide aeromedical services provider, there are few viable and cost-effective alternatives in the event of a

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grounding for maintenance or crew availability issues. Identifying and developing recommendations to address the current barriers that are preventing the expansion of the State's aeromedical services system is the first step in ensuring all persons in the State have access to timely medical care in an emergency situation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the composition of the working group; and
- (2) Amending the recipients of certified copies of this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 86, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 86, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



GREGG TAKAYAMA, Chair



