

Honolulu, Hawaii
July , 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2040
S.D. 1
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2040, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANCER SURVEILLANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to advance efforts to improve cancer control and surveillance of cancer incidence and survival by:

- (1) Allowing all morbidity data for cancer collected by certain cooperating entities to be shared with the Department of Health;
- (2) Adding "biological specimens" to the list of materials that may be provided to the Hawaii Tumor Registry (Registry) to assist in cancer research studies, and allowing materials related to individuals with "pre-cancerous conditions" to be provided to the Registry;
- (3) Allowing researchers to use the names of persons or physicians when requesting additional information for research studies approved by the Cancer Commission of the Hawaii Medical Association (HMA) and the appropriate federally authorized human subjects protection board; and



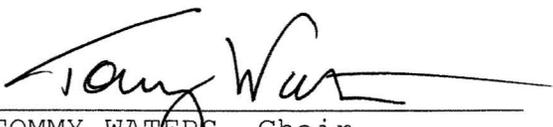
- (4) Allowing a cancer patient to be contacted directly for purposes of cancer surveillance, instead of requiring approval from the patient's attending physician.

Testimony in support of this measure was received from the University of Hawaii, HMA, and Kaiser Permanente.

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

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2040, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2040, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

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



TOMMY WATERS, Chair



