STAND. COM. REP. NO. 464

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fely, 19, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 807 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2009 State of Hawaii

## Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 807 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MEDICAL CLAIM CONCILIATION PANEL."

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve the medical tort law and help contain the spiraling costs of medical malpractice insurance by, among other things:

- (1) Prohibiting the Medical Claim Conciliation Panel (Panel) from filing claims brought after the expiration of the statute of limitations;
- (2) Authorizing the Panel to dismiss frivolous or nonmeritorious claims; and
- (3) Requiring the Panel to provide a copy of the certificate of consultation to the health care providers.

The Hawaii Medical Association and Hawaii Association of Health Plans testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii Association for Justice and a concerned individual offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment to correct drafting style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 807, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 807, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

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## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fifth Legislature

## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		Date:	
нв 807	HLT, JUD	2-	2-10-09	
☐ 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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
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3. BELATTI, Della Au				
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4. BERTRAM, Joe, III				
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6. CARROLL, Mele				
7. MIZUNO, John M.				
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				
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9. FINNEGAN, Lynn				
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The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral,  committee acronym(s)  If joint referral,  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature				
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