

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 79
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.R. No. 79
entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION
HOSPITALS AND CLINICS TO ACCEPT MEDICAL STUDENT ROTATIONS
FROM A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
BASED OUT OF THE WAIANAE COAST COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER,
THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,
AND OTHER HAWAII-BASED MEDICAL SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Hawaii Health
Systems Corporation to accept medical student rotations from A.T.
Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine based out of the
Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, the University of
Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, and other Hawaii-based
medical schools at its facilities and to work with the Hawaii
Primary Care Association to develop a plan to accomplish this
objective.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from nine individuals. Your Committee received testimony in
opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Health Systems
Corporation. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be
reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that there is a critical health care
provider shortage in Hawaii that is particularly acute in rural
areas. Your Committee further finds that doctors often enter

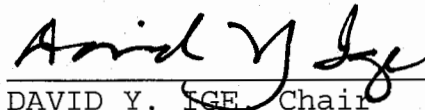


practice in the same locality in which they had their residencies and that encouraging teaching through medical student rotations at Hawaii Health Systems Corporation facilities may be one step toward easing the physician shortage.

Your Committee has amended this measure by requesting the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to work with the Hawaii Primary Care Association to develop a plan to place students from the A.T. Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine based out of the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, and other Hawaii-based medical schools in Hawaii Health Systems Corporation facilities for medical student rotations.

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.R. No. 79, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 79, S.D. 1.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Health
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SR 79</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HTH</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">3/24/10</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	5	0	0	1
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION HOSPITALS AND CLINICS
TO ACCEPT MEDICAL STUDENT ROTATIONS FROM A.T. STILL
UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE BASED OUT OF THE
WAIANAE COAST COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER, THE UNIVERSITY
OF HAWAII JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, AND OTHER
HAWAII-BASED MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

1 WHEREAS, a severe shortage of health care providers
2 currently exists, particularly in the rural and medically
3 underserved areas of the state; and
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5 WHEREAS, aside from Oahu, most of the state is federally
6 designated as Medically Underserved Areas, Medically Underserved
7 Populations, or Health Professional Shortage Areas; and
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9 WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to provide high quality
10 primary care services to already underserved populations with
11 disparate health indicators; and
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13 WHEREAS, maternal and child health risk, cardiovascular
14 risk, and socio-economic risk are greatest in rural Hawaii; and
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16 WHEREAS, according to the Department of Health's 1999
17 statistics, the top ten highest risk areas are all located in
18 rural communities; and
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20 WHEREAS, the need for physicians in rural areas will only
21 increase with the aging population and projected population
22 growth on the neighbor islands; and
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24 WHEREAS, national studies have demonstrated that
25 substantial residency training in rural areas increases
26 placement and retention of physicians in rural practices; and



1 WHEREAS, providing Hawaii's medical students with hospital
2 rotations in the state's rural areas is also of critical
3 importance to promoting the development of "roots" in the
4 communities they may one day serve; and
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6 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC)
7 comprises Hilo Medical Center, Hale Ho'ola Hamakua, and Ka'u
8 Hospital (East Hawaii Region); Kona Community Hospital and
9 Kohala Hospital (West Hawaii Region); Maui Memorial Medical
10 Center, Lanai Community Hospital, and Kula Hospital (Maui
11 Region); Leahi Hospital and Maluhia (Oahu Region); Kauai
12 Veterans Memorial Hospital and Samuel Mahelona Memorial Hospital
13 (Kauai Region); Yukio Okutsu State Veterans Home - Hilo;
14 Roselani Place - Maui; Ali'i Health Center - West Hawaii; and
15 affiliate HHSC facility Kahuku Medical Center - Oahu; and
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17 WHEREAS, HHSC is heavily state subsidized to continue
18 providing medical services throughout the state and in most
19 cases HHSC facilities are the only healthcare facilities in the
20 rural areas of the state; and
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22 WHEREAS, HHSC's objective to provide health care services
23 to the people of Hawaii is in line with the goals of students in
24 Hawaii-based medical schools; and
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26 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds HHSC is obligated as a
27 state-funded hospital system to provide Hawaii-based medical
28 students with the medical rotations they need in any of the HHSC
29 facilities; now, therefore,
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
32 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010,
33 that HHSC is urged to accept medical student rotations from A.T.
34 Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine based out of the
35 Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, the University of
36 Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, and other Hawaii-based
37 medical schools; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the HHSC and the Hawaii Primary
2 Care Association are requested to work together to develop a
3 plan for placing students from the A.T. Still University School
4 of Osteopathic Medicine based out of the Waianae Coast
5 Comprehensive Health Center, the University of Hawaii John A.
6 Burns School of Medicine, and other Hawaii-based medical schools
7 in HHSC facilities for medical student rotations; and
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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
10 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director of Health,
11 Chief Executive Officer of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation,
12 Dean of John A. Burns School of Medicine, Chief Executive
13 Officer of Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, and the
14 Executive Director of the Hawaii Medical Association.

