Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.B. No. 1722 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1722 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to address the emergency medical response needs of the community on the Island of Hawaii by appropriating funds to establish two special emergency medical response vehicle units to be based in the Puna and Makalei areas, including the acquisition of vehicles, equipment, and personnel costs for state-certified emergency medical service personnel.

The Hawaii Fire Department of the County of Hawaii, American Medical Response, and two individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the reference to "special emergency medical response vehicle units", to "advanced life support ambulances";
- (2) Specifying that the two ambulances are to be used during daily peak hours from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;
- (3) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2015; and

(4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and 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. 1722, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1722, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.:  HB 1722	Committee Referral:	Date:	1/31/14	"
☐ 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
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	<u> </u>			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)				
3. CARROLL, Mele				<b>√</b>
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. JORDAN, Jo				
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				
9. WOODSON, Justin H.				_
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohi	ilani			
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TOTAL (10)	9			/
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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