

Honolulu, Hawaii MATCH 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1627 H.D. 3

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1627, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL INVESTIGATIONS BY THE REGULATED INDUSTRIES COMPLAINTS OFFICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enhance the regulation and enforcement of professional licensing requirements and standards in professions and occupations involving medical issues and health care by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Regulated Industries Complaints Office to establish a division that specializes in the investigation of medical cases involving professions and occupations regulated by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; and
- (2) Appropriating funds for four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) field investigators and one full-time equivalent (1.0) staff attorney who specialize in medical cases within the Regulated Industries Complaints Office.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Hawaii Medical Association testified in support of this measure.



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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- Making the number of field investigator and staff attorney positions funded by this measure an unspecified number;
- (2) Changing the means of financing for the positions funded by this measure from general funds to the Compliance Resolution Fund established under section 26-9(0), Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1627, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1627, H.D. 3.

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

LUKE, Chair

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

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB1627 HD2	HLT, CPC, FI	N I	02/26/16	
The committee is reconsidering its previo	ous decision on the measure.			
	namended (as is) Para	ss, with amendments ( mmit for future public		
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. DeCOITE, Lynn				
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. POUHA, Feki				
16. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (16)	- 15			1
The recommendation is: Adop If joint re	*	did not suppo	rt recommendatio	n.
Vice Chair's or designee's signature;				
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