

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

550

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 20, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 580  
H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which  
was referred H.B. No. 580, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LICENSURE OF DURABLE  
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that patients in the  
State have improved access to critical, life-sustaining medical  
supplies by establishing and funding the Durable Medical Equipment  
Supplier Licensing and Patient Protection Program (Program) in the  
Office of Health Care Assurance to administer licensure and  
operational requirements for durable medical equipment suppliers  
participating in the nationwide competitive bidding program.

Hawaii Primary Care Association, The Queen's Health Systems,  
Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and the Hawaii Health Systems  
Corporation Corporate Board of Directors supported this measure.  
The Hawaii Association of Health Plans opposed this measure. The  
Department of the Attorney General, Department of Commerce and  
Consumer Affairs, Department of Health, Board of Pharmacy, and the  
Hawaii Medical Service Association offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Broadening the Program to make it applicable to all  
suppliers of durable medical equipment; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 580, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 580, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Consumer  
Protection & Commerce,



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



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| <b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b>  | <b>Committee Referral:</b> | <b>Date:</b> |      |         |
|--|----------------------------|--------------|------|---------|
| HB 580, HDI  | HLT/HUS, CPC, FIN          | 02/18/15     |      |         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.  |                            |              |      |         |
| <b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) |                            |              |      |         |
| CPC Members  | Ayes                       | Ayes (WR)    | Nays | Excused |
| 1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)  | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 2. WOODSON, Justin H. (VC)   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 3. BELATTI, Della Au   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 4. BROWER, Tom   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 5. CREAGAN, Richard P.   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 6. HAR, Sharon E.  | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 7. HASHEM, Mark J.   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.  |                            |              |      | ✓       |
| 9. LEE, Chris  | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 11. OSHIRO, Marcus R.  | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 12. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 13. TAKAYAMA, Gregg  | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 14. YAMANE, Ryan I.  |                            |              |      | ✓       |
| 15. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth   | ✓                          |              |      |         |
| 16. MCDERMOTT, Bob   |                            |              |      | ✓       |
| TOTAL (16)   | 13                         |              |      | 3       |
| <b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted<br>If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.<br>committee acronym(s)   |                            |              |      |         |
| <b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____   |                            |              |      |         |
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