

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 791

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2015

RE: S.B. No. 304
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 304, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish the Hawaii Maternal Morbidity and Mortality Review Panel within the Department of Health for administrative purposes to conduct comprehensive, multidisciplinary reviews of maternal deaths in the State to identify factors associated with the deaths and make recommendations for health care system changes.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and five individuals. Written comments in opposition to this measure were received from one individual. Written comments on this measure were received from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that the establishment of a maternal morbidity and mortality review panel with an appropriation to support its work would provide important data and information that would improve health care for women in the State. However, your Committee notes that the Department of Health believes that the additional duties placed upon the department under this measure will exceed the funding of \$10,000 per year as provided under the measure. Accordingly, your Committee requests that the Department of Health consider and provide to subsequent Standing Committees

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that deliberate upon this measure a more accurate estimate of the costs necessary to cover the panel and additional responsibilities imposed upon the Department.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation figure to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, style, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 304, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 304, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SB304 SD1</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HHH, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">3/2/15</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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	10	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="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; text-align: center;">R. D. W.</div>				
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