STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 0 2015

RE: S.B. No. 805

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 805 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to remove the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, relating to the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse".

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, amended the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse" to include carrying out the orders of a licensed physician assistant practicing with physician supervision as required by chapter 453, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and acting as an agent of the supervising physician. The Act included a sunset provision to repeal the amended versions of the definitions on July 1, 2017.

Your Committee further finds that there has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health, and there has been no harm. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii



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2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and patients impacted by the change.

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 S.B. No. 805 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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

JOSH GREEN, Chair



The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

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