STAND. COM. REP. NO.

956

Honolulu, Hawaii

MARCH 3 , 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1272 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2017 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1272, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMPROVING ACCESS TO PSYCHIATRIC CARE FOR MEDICAID PATIENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand access to psychiatric care for Medicaid recipients by specifying that the State's Medicaid program provide coverage for psychiatric care provided remotely through telecommunications services by a licensed psychiatrist who is located at a primary care provider's office and is accompanied by a qualified behavioral health care manager.

The Hawaii Medical Association, Effective Change, LLC, and a concerned individual testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services, Hawaii Psychiatric Medical Association, Hawaii Medical Service Association, and Hawaii Psychological Association provided comments.

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. 1272, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE. Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1272, HD1	Committee Referral: HUG/HLT,	Date:	3-1-2	2017
☐ 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. CHOY, Isaac W.				
5. DeCOITE, Lynn				- 1
6. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
7. HOLT, Daniel				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
12. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				*
14. QUINLAN, Sean				
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
17. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (17)	14	Ø	Ø	3
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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