Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.B. No. 696

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 696 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate the month of September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month to increase public awareness of suicide prevention education, resources, and support services available in Hawaii to individuals, families, and communities.

The United States Army Suicide Prevention Program, Mental Health America of Hawaii, Hawaii Catholic Conference, Hawaii Family Forum, Oahu Prevent Suicide Hawaii Taskforce, and several individuals testified in support of this measure.

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 H.B. No. 696 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair

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

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 696	Committee Referral:	Date	2-28-	17
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is) θ Pass, with amendments (HD) θ Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)				San Barrier
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	V			
3. HAR, Sharon E.				. /
J. HAK, Sharon E.				
4. MORIKAWA, Dee				
5. OSHIRO, Marcus R.				6.11m
6. TODD, Chris				
7. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.			1	
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The recommendation is: θ Adopted θ Not Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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