

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2554

S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2554, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to provide employers, employees, and the general public with information with respect to rendering seizure first aid; and
- (2) Require all employers to post the seizure first aid information provided by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations in a prominent position in the employer's workplace.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Epilepsy Foundation Hawaii and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that as of 2019, nearly fourteen thousand people in the State of Hawaii and over 3,400,000 in the United States are living with epilepsy, and an additional ten percent of the population will experience a non-epileptic seizure



in their lifetime. This measure would ensure that information is available to members of the community regarding how to render first aid in the event of a seizure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2554, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2554, S.D. 2.

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



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KARL RHOADS, Chair



