

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

844

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 2021

RE: S.B. No. 619
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B.
No. 619, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED
NURSES, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend provisions concerning fitness to proceed examinations in criminal proceedings to specify circumstances in which qualified advanced practice registered nurses or advanced practice registered nurses with prescriptive authority who hold an accredited national certification in an advanced practice registered nurse psychiatric specialization may conduct the examination.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Association of Professional Nurses, The Queen's Health Systems, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing, Hawai'i - American Nurses Association, and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of the Attorney General, Department of Health, Hawai'i Psychological Association, and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Board of Nursing.

Your Committee finds that advanced practice registered nurses provide a wide variety of health care services to people across



the State. Existing law requires each hospital within the State to allow advanced practice registered nurses to practice at the hospital within the full scope of their authorized practice, including practice as primary care providers. This measure provides courts with greater flexibility by allowing qualified advanced practice registered nurses or advanced practice registered nurses with prescriptive authority who hold an accredited national certification in an advanced practice registered nurse psychiatric specialization to conduct fitness to proceed evaluations in criminal proceedings.

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. 619, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 619, S.D. 2.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312
 Pass, with amendments 2311
 Hold 2310
 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	✓			
ACASIO, Laura			✓	
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado		✓		
LEE, Chris	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt			✓	
TOTAL	4	1	2	0

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Karl Rhoads*

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