

Honolulu, Hawaii
FEB 04 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1415
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, to which was referred H.B. No. 1415 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THREAT ASSESSMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a program within the Hawaii State Fusion Center to train, establish, and operate threat assessment teams, including for educational institutions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Hawaii State Fusion Center, and Honolulu Police Department. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that it is important to be proactive with efforts to keep the community safe from violence and potential acts of violence by engaging in threat assessment actions and protocols. Creating a team of diverse individuals with various skillsets will help identify, assess, and manage potential threats before they occur. Your Committee believes that having a program that allows the State to take preemptive measures against any type of threat can improve the State's ability to protect its residents and visitors.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Requiring the Department of Education and State Public Charter School Commission to vet education threat assessment team members for suitability to receive protected health information, educational records, and criminal history information, in consultation with the Hawaii State Fusion Center;
- (2) Amending its purpose section to clarify that threat assessment teams work with state and county emergency management partners, where appropriate;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1415, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1415, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Higher Education & Technology.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Pandemic &
Disaster Preparedness,


LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1415	Committee Referral: PDR, HET, FIN	Date: 2/1/22		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PDP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	✓			
2. ELI, Stacelynn K.M. (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
5. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
6. WILDBERGER, Tina	✓			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
9. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (9)	9	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>Stacy Eli</i>				
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