

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3908

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 8 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1758
H.D. 2
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1758, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow for temporary permits to be issued to registered nurses and licensed practical nurses from a territory or foreign country who are seeking a state license by endorsement.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Medical Service Association, Hawai'i Friends of Civil Rights, Hawai'i Coalition for Immigrant Rights, Hawai'i Pacific Health, Queen's Health Systems, Hawaii Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and three individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Board of Nursing and Hawai'i State Center for Nursing.

Your Committees find that certain nurses that are licensed in another state and applying for licensure in Hawai'i by endorsement are eligible for a temporary permit to practice within the State while their applications are reviewed and verified. Foreign nurses must have at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited

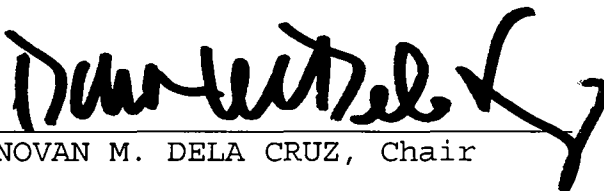


academic nursing institution, a minimum of two years relevant work experience, and pass rigorous background checks by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to obtain a work visa to enter the United States. This measure will not only align the licensure by endorsement procedures between nurses who have been licensed in a territory or a foreign country with those nurses who have been licensed in another state, but also help decrease the nursing shortage within the State.

Your Committees have amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1758, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1758, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Judiciary and
Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair


KARL RHOADS, Chair



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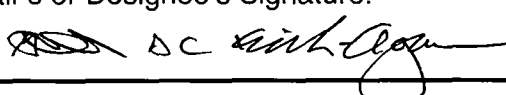
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	/			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	/			
ACASIO, Laura	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
LEE, Chris	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
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DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X	
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X	
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X	
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X	
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	X	
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X	
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X	
WAKAI, Glenn	X	
FEVELLA, Kurt	X	
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