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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2423

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2423 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to update chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to clarify who may access information stored in the electronic prescription accountability system.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety and Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that, under existing law, certain providers' abilities to access information stored in the electronic prescription accountability system, or more commonly known as the prescription drug monitoring program (program), is authorized only in certain situations. This measure supports the goals of the Hawaii Opioid Initiative by allowing pharmacists to access the program to check for information before dispensing a controlled opioid. This measure will further provide additional checks and balances for Med-Quest and Department of Veterans Affairs staff to ensure appropriate billing for services, prescriptions, and treatment access, and to facilitate compliance with federal law and efforts by the Department of Public Safety to combat the nationwide opioid crisis.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2423 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection CPN

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:		
582423	CPN, JOC			1-28-2022		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (W	'R)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)		/				
CHANG, Stanley (VC)		✓				
DECOITE, Lynn						
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		1				
RIVIERE, Gil		1				
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.		/			***	
FEVELLA, Kurt		V				
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TOTAL		7				
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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