Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 18 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2880

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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 S.B. No. 2880 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOME HEALTH CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit any increase in the fees charged for providing home health care services during a state of emergency concerning a public health pandemic on the sole basis that the patient receiving the services requires that the home health care service provider be vaccinated against the underlying disease causing the emergency.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic highlighted the importance of health care providers, especially for our kupuna. Due to the nature of their responsibilities, home health care providers are constantly in close contact with elderly patients, who require their health care providers to be vaccinated due to their compromised health or underlying health conditions. This measure will protect our kupuna during times of an emergency and ensure that home health

care providers are fairly charging residents of Hawaii for their services.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that any increase in fees charged for providing home health care services shall be prohibited during a local state of emergency, in addition to a state of emergency; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

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 S.B. No. 2880, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2880, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness.

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

LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chain

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2880	Committee Referral:	CPC Date		22
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The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
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