HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII H.R. NO. **101** 

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS REGARDING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

1 WHEREAS, this body recognizes that there is a physician shortage in the State, which often makes it challenging for 2 rural communities to access health care; and 3 4 WHEREAS, advanced practice registered nurses and physician 5 assistants are vital health care professionals who are capable 6 of filling in some of the gaps in access to health care in the 7 State; and 8 9 10 WHEREAS, various measures have been introduced during the past regular sessions of the Legislature that have proposed 11 expanding the scope of practice for advanced practice registered 12 nurses and physician assistants; and 13 14 WHEREAS, there is a need to clearly distinguish the scope 15 of practice of advanced practice registered nurses and physician 16 assistants and determine the appropriate scope of practice for 17 18 each of these professions in the State to better complement the 19 work of physicians; now, therefore, 20 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 21 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 22 Session of 2023, that the Auditor is requested to conduct an 23 analysis regarding the scope of practice for advanced practice 24 25 registered nurses and physician assistants; and 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to 27 analyze whether each scope of practice should be expanded in 28 certain areas of medical care and services, including: 29 30 (1) School-based health services; 31 32

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1 2 3	(2)	Medical care for minors related to human immunodeficiency virus;
4 5	(3)	Abortion care;
6 7 8	(4)	The records review process for prescriptions of controlled substances;
8 9 10 11	(5)	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments waived tests; and
11 12 13	(6)	Medical aid in dying; and
14 15 16 17 18	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor may include in the Auditor's analysis a comparison to other jurisdictions and whether those jurisdictions allow for similar expanded scopes of practice; and	
19 20 21 22 23 24	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to submit a report of the Auditor's findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2024; and	
25 26 27 28 29	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, Chairperson of the Hawaii Medical Board, and Chairperson of the State Board of Nursing.	
30 31		OFFERED BY:

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