

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 791

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 791 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AMBULANCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Health to purchase one advanced life support ambulance and related equipment, and pay costs for state-certified emergency medical services personnel, to be based on the island of Molokai.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from The Queen's Health System, American Medical Response, Maui County Paramedics Association and ten individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that Molokai's growing community needs expanded ambulance services. Due to its unique geographic area, an additional ambulance will increase response times to help provide necessary care. Your Committee notes the testimony of the Department of Health, which estimates that although this measure, as currently written, contains an appropriation for \$1,500,000, due to annual cost-of-living increases, an estimated \$1,600,000 would actually be needed to implement this measure. Your Committee requests that your Committee on Ways and Means, should

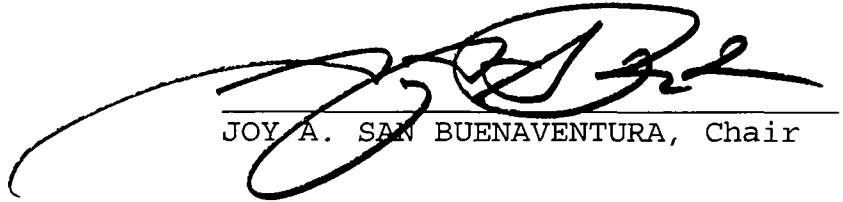


it hear this measure, examine the issue raised by the Department of Health.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting a blank appropriation amount.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health and Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 791, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 791, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health and Human
Services,



JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Health and Human Services
HHS

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 791</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HHS, LAM</i>	Date: <i>2/13/23</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)	✓			
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (VC)	✓			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				✓
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>			<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes