

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2088

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 , 2023

RE: S.B. No. 63  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 3

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 63,  
S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the Board of Nursing to issue temporary permits for six-month periods to out-of-state licensed practical nurses and registered nurses or who hold a multistate license issued by another state, territory, or foreign country, under certain circumstances;
- (2) Provide an exception from licensing requirements to nurses who are licensed in another state, territory, or foreign country and accompanying a patient from out-of-state for a period of less than two weeks and who are not employed or affiliated with a health care entity in the State;
- (3) Allow the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to:



- (A) Establish fees through interim rules for the temporary permits; and
  - (B) Employ personnel without regard to the civil service law for managing the temporary permits; and
- (4) Appropriate funds to implement the temporary permitting requirements.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Primary Care Association, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing, Board of Nursing, Hawai'i - American Nurses Association, Hawaii Association of Health Plans, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawai'i Pacific Health, The Queen's Health System, Kaiser Permanente Hawai'i, and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Grassroot Institute of Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the number of permanent office assistant positions that the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs may employ to an unspecified number;
- (2) Removing the general fund appropriation into the Compliance Resolution Fund; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 63, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 63, S.D. 2, H.D. 3.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Finance,



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KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



