STAND. COM. REP. NO. 777-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FER 13 ' 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2253 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 2253 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) All law enforcement officers to carry an opioid antagonist while on-duty;
- (2) The Department of Health to establish education and training projects on drug overdose response and treatment for law enforcement personnel; and
- (3) All restaurants and hotel establishments to maintain an available inventory of naloxone.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Law Enforcement; Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition; and Hawaii Health & Harm Reduction Center. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health and Honolulu Police Department.

Your Committee finds that the timely administration of an opioid antagonist when a person is experiencing an opioid-related overdose saves lives. Your Committee further finds that if opioid antagonists are on hand during an emergency at restaurants and hotels, employees of those establishments will be able to act quickly to prevent an opioid-related death.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Permitting, rather than requiring:
 - (A) All law enforcement officers to carry opioid antagonists while on duty;
 - (B) The Department of Health to establish education and training projects; and
 - (C) The Department of Health to require all hotel establishments and restaurants maintain an available inventory of an opioid antagonist;
- (2) Requiring funds for the purchase of opioid antagonists used by a law enforcement officer employed by a county to come from that county's general revenues or share of any opioid litigation proceeds;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) 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 Health & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2253, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2253, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health & Homelessness,

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date	2/1/24	
HB9723	HLT, JHA		214127	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)				
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)				
3. AMATO, Terez				2. 304 41 4 4
4. ILAGAN, Greggor				
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5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				<u>Ladista, f</u>
				May Carr
6. MARTEN, Lisa				
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
8. GARCIA, Diamond		- ···		
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TOTAL (8)	8			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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