

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 572

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2023

RE: S.B. No. 1369
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. 1369 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REPEAL OF ACT 212, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2021, AS AMENDED BY ACT 150, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2022,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to repeal the requirement to transfer the Oahu Regional Health Care System in its entirety from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to the Department of Health.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the University of Hawai'i System and Oahu Regional Health Care System.

Your Committee finds that Act 212, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, initiated the transfer of the Oahu Regional Health Care System to the Department of Health and required the two to establish a working group to facilitate the transition. The working group determined the transition would require at least 2.5 years to complete, approximately \$10,300,000 to effectuate the transition, and roughly \$5,000,000 per year to maintain operations. Recognizing that the protracted timeline and estimated costs to implement and maintain the transition may



outweigh the transition's anticipated benefits, this measure would repeal the requirement to transfer the Oahu Regional Health Care System to the Department of Health.

Your Committee notes that, per testimony received by your Committee, the transfer of the Oahu Regional Health Care System to the Department of Health may warrant reevaluation. Therefore, amendments to this measure are necessary to allow for further review.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language that would have repealed the requirement to transfer the Oahu Regional Health Care System in its entirety from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to the Department of Health;
- (2) Inserting language that requires by December 31, 2027, the transfer of the Oahu Regional Health Care System in its entirety from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to the Department of Health; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 1369, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1369, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

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

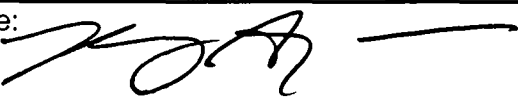


JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Health and Human Services
HHS

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1369	Committee Referral: HHS, JDC/WAM	Date: 2/13/23		
<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	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes