

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1068

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 28 2025**

RE: S.B. No. 1252  
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1252, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEMENTIA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate improved care for persons having Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii to establish a specialized training program to educate health care providers on methods to best care for patients having Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia; and
- (2) Appropriates moneys for the specialized training program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Executive Office on Aging, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Alzheimer's Association - Hawaii, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that healthcare providers do not often receive specialized training on treating patients who have



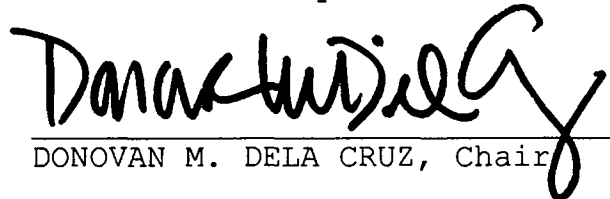
dementia, including the different stages of the disease, the behavioral changes that may occur, and the complexities of care coordination. Your Committee further finds that this measure will create opportunities for healthcare providers to receive specialized training on new treatments and best practices that can improve the quality of life and slow the cognitive decline of dementia patients.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to upon its approval; and
- (2) Making a technical nonsubstantive amendment for purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1252, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1252, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 1252 SD 1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HRE, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/18/25</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn				X
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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