

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1752

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 1752 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to remove the Adjutant General and add the Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency as a nonvoting ex-officio member of the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the state Department of Defense and Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that this measure is a practical and pragmatic step to keep the State's emergency response system aligned with today's realities. The Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) is the state agency that coordinates statewide emergency management and disaster response, including medical services. Including HI-EMA on the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee ensures that policy decisions about emergency medical services are informed by those who manage the overall emergency framework for the State. This small but significant change would improve coordination during disasters and streamline planning.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1752 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety,



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



HSCR 2-26

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 752	Committee Referral: PBSN HD	Date: Jan 30, 2026		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PBS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
6. POEPOE, Mahina	✓			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
8. SHIMIZU, Garner M.		✓		
9. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (9)	8	1		
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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