

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1592-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 22

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 22
entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES
CONGRESS TO PASS H.R. 2687, ALSO KNOWN AS THE END KIDNEY
DEATHS ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the United States
Congress to pass H.R. 2687, also known as the End Kidney Deaths
Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from U.S. Renal Care and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that because of Hawaii's geographic
isolation, treatment for kidney disease and kidney failure poses
serious health challenges, particularly for rural, low-income
communities, and communities of color, who are more likely to die
from kidney disease based on deep inequities in access to timely
and effective treatment. Your Committee further finds that
although kidney transplantation is a proven, life-saving therapy
that improves patient outcomes and reduces long-term health care
expenditures compared to dialysis, access to transplantation
remains limited due to systemic barriers. Your Committee believes
that the passage of the End Kidney Deaths Act on the national
level, which will allow for regulated, refundable tax credits for

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living donors who donate a kidney to a stranger, will improve health outcomes, reduce disparities, and promote a more sustainable health care system in Hawaii and across the United States.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 22 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



GREG TAKAYAMA, Chair



