

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 296-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 20, 2026

RE: S.C.R. No. 87

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 87
entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE STATE TO
EXAMINE REQUIRING AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN ALL
STATE-OWNED BUILDINGS AND PURSUE EXISTING AUTOMATED EXTERNAL
DEFIBRILLATOR PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage the State to
examine requiring automated external defibrillators in all state-
owned buildings and to pursue existing automated external
defibrillator programs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Education; Department of Health; Department
of Accounting and General Services; State Health Planning and
Development Agency; American Heart Association; AED Institute; and
one individual.

Your Committee finds that sudden cardiac arrest is a
life-threatening condition in which survival decreases
significantly with each minute that defibrillation is delayed,
making immediate access to automated external defibrillators (AED)
critical in public settings. While some organizations offer first
aid and AED training, the State does not have a legislatively
mandated program to ensure consistent access to AEDs or education


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across state facilities. This measure promotes improved emergency preparedness in state buildings by expanding access to AEDs and encouraging training efforts that can save lives.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 87 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



JACKSON D. SAYAMA, Chair



