

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3034

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 20 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2165

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2165
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide additional means to
qualify for licensure as a registered nurse by allowing bachelor's
degree graduates who have completed the pre-licensure portion of a
master's entry program in nursing, to apply for a license as a
registered nurse by examination.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawaii School of Nursing and Dental
Hygiene, the Board of Nursing, the Hawaii State Center for
Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, Healthcare Association of Hawaii,
Hawaii Government Employees Association, and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii is experiencing a severe
nursing workforce shortage. This measure will help to address
this shortage by authorizing an accelerated program with entry at
the master's level that provides licensure by examination for
qualifying registered nurses.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your
Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.
No. 2165, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be
referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and
Affordable Housing.

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

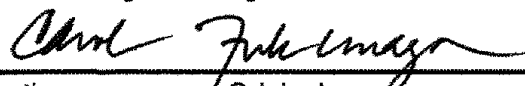


DAVID Y. ICE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Health
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB245	Committee Referral: HTH, CPH	Date: 3/14/08		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron				✓
WHALEN, Paul				✓
TOTAL	3			2
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