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## SB 1453 SD2 RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Morikawa, and members of the House Committee on Health, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on this bill, SB 1453 SD2, requiring the insurance commissioner to develop a standardized prior authorization request form and process for prescription medications for use by health care providers and insurance carriers.

Rather than creating a task force to study this issue, the School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene and John A. Burns School of Medicine believes the mandating of a uniform waiver process for prescription authorizations and standardizing the criteria for such waivers would be more effective.

We appreciate your continuing support of nursing and healthcare in Hawai'i. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.