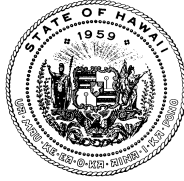


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB1421 SD1
RELATING TO MEDICAL RECORDS**

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- 1 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health supports SB1421 SD1, which is part of the
- 2 Governor's Administrative Package. Requiring approval from the Director of Health for the
- 3 disposition of patient medical records is ineffective and outdated. Modern electronic medical
- 4 record systems have features that provide security, redundancy, and persistence for medical
- 5 records, including patient accessibility through secure portals.

- 6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.