

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2067

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB - 9 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2371
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2371
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMITED BENEFIT HEALTH
INSURANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exclude any new provision enacted after July 1, 2010, from applying to accident-only, specified disease, hospital indemnity, long-term care, or other limited benefit health insurance policies unless the provision expressly states that it is applicable to these types of policies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the intent of this measure with amendments from the American Family Life Assurance Company of Columbus (AFLAC) and the American Council of Life Insurers. Your Committee received testimony commenting on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that because the nature of limited benefit health insurance policies is fundamentally different from primary health insurance policies, the requirements imposed upon primary health insurance policies can be inappropriate for limited benefit health insurance policies and they should be accepted from future provisions. Your Committee further finds that this will



reduce waste, duplicative requirements, and inapposite legislation from applying to limited benefit health insurance policies.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Including language that that adds Medicare supplement policies to the list of limited benefit health insurance policies that this measure applies to;
- (2) Including language to include disability, dental and vision policies to the list of limited benefit health insurance policies that this measure applies to; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes to ensure clarity and accuracy in the language of this measure.

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 S.B. No. 2371, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2371, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SB 2371</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HTH; CPN</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">02-01-10</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	5	0	2	1
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive; text-align: center;">Josh Green MD</div>				
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