STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1325

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 4 , 2011

RE: H.R. No. 61

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.R. No. 61 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING HEALTH INSURERS IN HAWAII TO PROVIDE COVERAGE OR REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES RELATED TO PALLIATIVE CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to provide greater affordability of and access to palliative care treatment for acute and chronic pain patients by requesting that accident and health or sickness insurers in Hawaii, including mutual benefit societies and health maintenance organizations, provide coverage for palliative care health services.

The Representative of the 38th District, American Cancer Society, Hawaii Medical Association, and St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 61 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: Comm HR 61	ittee Referral: T, CPC, F1	N Date:	3/29/11	-
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)				
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.				
5. JORDAN, Jo				
6. LEE, Chris				
7. MIZUNO, John M.				
8. WOOLEY, Jessica				
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.				
10. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				
TOTAL (10)	9		.	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. Committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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