STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2585

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 2 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2101 S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2101 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRICARE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make permanent the general excise tax exemption on funds received by a managed care support contractor of the TRICARE program for the actual cost or advancement to third-party health care providers pursuant to a contract with the United States.

Written comments in support of this measure were submitted by TriWest Healthcare Alliance, Inc. Written comments were submitted by the Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that making permanent the temporary TRICARE program general tax exemption provided by Act 70, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, would help alleviate the need to increase healthcare costs for services delivered through the TRICARE program for members of the military and their families.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2101, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2101, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID Y. IGE, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:		Da	Date:	
SB 2101	HTH. WAM			2-24-12	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)					
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		V			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
ESPERO, Will				-	
FUKUNAGA, Carol					
KIM, Donna Mercado					
KAHELE, Gilbert					
KOUCHI, Ronald D.					
RYAN, Pohai					
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
WAKAI, Glenn					
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		14	0	0	0
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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