STAND. COM. REP. NO. [7] -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28 , 2018

RE: H.C.R. No. 135

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 135 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS BOTH THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF PROPOSED MANDATED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE COSTS OF MEDICALLY NECESSARY TRANSPORTATION TO THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES FOR OUALIFYING PATIENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Auditor to assess both the social and financial effects of the proposed mandated health insurance coverage under H.B. No. 687, H.D. 2, Regular Session of 2018, which requires insurance coverage for the costs of medically necessary transportation to the continental United States for qualifying patients.

The Hawaii Medical Service Association, Hawaii Pacific Health, Kapiolani Medical Specialists, Kapiiolani Medical Center for Women & Children, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and a few concerned individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Office of the Auditor submitted comments.

Your Committee notes that the Office of the Auditor commented that certain requests in this resolution, as written, are outside

of the scope of that Office due to being requests for legal opinions. The Office of the Auditor suggests referring the requests for legal opinions to either the Attorney General or a legislative research office.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 135 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health & Human Services,

JOHN M. MIZUNO,

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health & Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 135	Committee Referral: HHS, FIN	mittee Referral: HHS, FIN Date: 3-21		
☐ 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)				
HHS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)				
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)				
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3. BELATTI, Della Au		No. 1 de 1 de 1		75 J. S. B.
4. LEARMONT, Lei R.				vining premiena na chara
5. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
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TOTAL (5)	4			/
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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