STAND. COM. REP. NO. [92] -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 ' 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2364

S.D. 2 H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2364, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prevent undue delay in injured workers' receipt of medical care and payment to medical providers under the workers' compensation system. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires employers to pay for all medical services required for their employees' compensable injuries and process of recovery, even when claims are disputed;
- (2) Establishes negotiation, notice, and review procedures for disputed claims;
- (3) Imposes fines and penalties for failure to negotiate in good faith; and
- (4) Permits service providers to charge interest on late bill payments.

Hawaii Medical Association, Hawaii Injured Workers
Association, Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy
Association, and several individuals testified in support of this
measure. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, The
Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Hawaii Insurers Council, and Society
for Human Resource Management - Hawaii Chapter testified in
opposition to this measure. The Department of Human Resources
Development, Department of Human Resources of the City and County
of Honolulu, and Automated HealthCare Solutions commented on this
measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2364, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

	Committee Referral: Date:			
SB 2364 SD 2, HDI LAB,	FIN		4/4/18	
☐ 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				1 d 1 d
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. DeCOITE, Lynn				
5. FUKUMOTO, Beth				<u></u>
6. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
7. HOLT, Daniel				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
11. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.				
12. TODD, Chris				
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
14. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.			~	
15. WARD, Gene	est :	• •		
TOTAL (15)	8	2	2	3
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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