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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 1624, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, RELATING TO INSURANCE.

TO THE HONORABLE DONAVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") appreciates the opportunity to testify on H.B. 1624, H.D. 1, S.D.1, Relating to Insurance. My name is Gordon Ito, and I am the Insurance Commissioner for the Department's Insurance Division. The Department provides the following comments.

The purpose of this bill is to delay implementation of sections 7, 8, and 9 of Act 152, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017. The Department is not opposed to extending the effective date to eliminate producer-to-producer appointments to January 1, 2020.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

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Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee on Ways and Means, my name is Alison Ueoka, President of the Hawaii Insurers Council. The Hawaii Insurers Council is a non-profit trade association of property and casualty insurance companies licensed to do business in Hawaii. Member companies underwrite approximately forty percent of all property and casualty insurance premiums in the state.

Hawaii Insurers Council <u>supports</u> this bill. Extending the date to repeal the producer to producer law allows HIC members adequate time to develop and execute new contracts between producers and insurers. This is a sea-change from what has traditionally been done in Hawaii and we appreciate the additional time allowed to ensure all contracts are executed properly. We look forward to continuing to work with the Insurance Division on a smooth transition.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: