

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) Upon approval by the Secretary of the
- 2 United States Department of Health and Human Services pursuant
- 3 to subsection (b), the director of human services, to the extent
- 4 allowed by law, shall:
- 5 (1) Establish the Hawaii care plan within the State's
- 6 medicaid program, which shall make health insurance
- 7 coverage available to any individual in the State who
- 8 would not otherwise qualify to enroll in medicaid;
- 9 (2) Contract with one or more insurers to provide health
- 10 coverage to individuals who enroll in the Hawaii care
- 11 plan; and
- 12 (3) Make coverage through the Hawaii care plan available
- for purchase through the federal health insurance
- marketplace.
- 15 (b) The director of human services shall apply to the
- 16 Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human

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- 1 Services for any necessary waiver pursuant to 42 United States
- 2 Code section 1315 or section 18052, as applicable, to:
- 3 (1) Authorize the director of human services to contract
- 4 with one or more insurers to provide health coverage
- 5 to individuals who enroll in the Hawaii care plan
- 6 pursuant to subsection (a); and
- 7 (2) Allow an individual who is determined to be eligible
- 8 for advance payments of the premium tax credit and
- 9 cost-sharing reductions pursuant to 45 Code of Federal
- Regulations section 155.305 to use those credits and
- 11 reductions to enroll in the Hawaii care plan.
- 12 (c) Health coverage provided to an individual enrolled in
- 13 the Hawaii care plan shall be subject to the same terms as the
- 14 health coverage provided to individuals enrolled in medicaid who
- 15 do not participate in a medicaid managed care program; provided
- 16 that coverage for non-emergency transportation services may be
- 17 excluded from coverage under the Hawaii care plan.
- (d) The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
- 19 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to implement this section.

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SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Requires the Director of Human Services to apply for a federal waiver to establish the Hawaii Care Plan to provide health insurance for any individual who is not otherwise eligible for medicaid.

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