

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 04 , 2020

RE: H.B. No. 1796  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1796  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make prescription  
medication less cost-prohibitive for consumers by placing a cap on  
the total amount that an insured is required to pay for a  
prescription insulin drug at \$100 per thirty-day supply of that  
drug.

Your Committee has received testimony in support from AARP  
Hawaii and Health Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii.  
Your Committee has received testimony in opposition from Hawaii  
Medical Service Association. Your Committee has received comments  
from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii  
Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund Board, and Kaiser  
Permanente Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

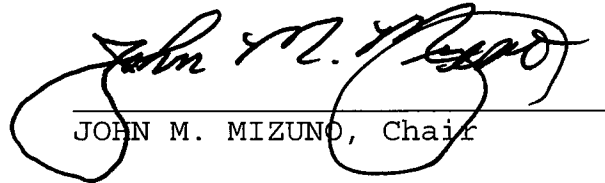
- (1) Deleting contents that would have placed a cap on the  
total amount that an insured is required to pay for a  
prescription insulin drug;



- (2) Establishing the Insulin Drug Task Force within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to study whether cost-sharing limits should be placed on prescription insulin drugs;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1796, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1796, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

  
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JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The THIRTIETH Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> <i>HB 1796</i>	<b>Committee Referral:</b> <i>HLT, CPC, FIN</i>	<b>Date:</b> <i>1-28-20</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>HLT Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. MIZUNO, John M. (C)	✓			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
5. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
6. SAY, Calvin K.Y.		✓		
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	<i>7</i>	<i>1</i>		
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <i>B. Kelly</i>				
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