
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL
ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii has long been a leader in advancing
2 reproductive rights and advocating for equitable and affordable
3 access to sexual and reproductive health care; and
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5 WHEREAS, federal protections for abortion, preventative
6 care, contraceptives, and other sexual and reproductive health
7 care services are consistently threatened, making state
8 protections for these services especially critical; and
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10 WHEREAS, other states have enacted laws that effectively
11 eliminate abortion access in the states, reflecting a broad
12 strategy to challenge and overturn the United States Supreme
13 Court's holding in *Roe v. Wade*, which protects abortion access;
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16 WHEREAS, the Trump administration made it difficult for
17 insurers to cover abortion care and assembled a Supreme Court
18 that may restrict abortion access and strike down the Patient
19 Protection and Affordable Care Act; and
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21 WHEREAS, eliminating the Patient Protection and Affordable
22 Care Act would force many Hawaii residents to pay more out-of-
23 pocket health care costs, leading many to delay or forego needed
24 care; and
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26 WHEREAS, access to sexual and reproductive health care,
27 including no-cost preventive services, is critical for the
28 health and economic security of all people in Hawaii and will
29 help avoid more costly treatments in the future; and
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