

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3013

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2022

RE: S.B. No. 1294
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1294, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID BENEFITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate moneys for the Department of Human Services to reinstate the basic package of diagnostic, preventative, and restorative dental benefits to adult Medicaid enrollees.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, State Council on Developmental Disabilities, University of Hawaii, AARP Hawaii, AlohaCare, Americans for Democratic Action, Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks!, Hawaii Dental Association, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association, Hawaii Dental Service, Hawaii Disability Rights Center, Hawaii Oral Health Coalition/Hawaii Public Health Institute, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Hawaii Self Advocacy Advisory Council, Health Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hoola Lahui Hawaii, Kokua Kalihi Valley Comprehensive Family Services, Ohana Health Plan, Papa Ola Lokahi, Queen's Health Systems, The Kupuna Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, UnitedHealthcare, Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, Waikiki Health, Waimanalo Health Center, West Hawaii Community Health Center, and nine individuals.



Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that reinstating preventative dental benefits to adult Medicaid enrollees will result in the provision of fewer emergency dental services, thus reducing the medical costs paid by Medicaid.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the appropriation from \$10,195,082 to an unspecified amount to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1294, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1294, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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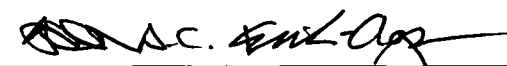
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				X
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt				X
TOTAL	8			3

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:


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