
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL
ASSESSMENT OF MANDATING PARITY IN VITRO FERTILIZATION
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.

1 WHEREAS, the State's mandate that insurance plans provide a
2 one-time benefit for costs associated with in vitro
3 fertilization procedures excludes same-sex couples, unmarried
4 women, and opposite-sex couples for whom male infertility is the
5 relevant factor; and

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7 WHEREAS, the current unequal treatment of individuals
8 seeking medical fertility assistance constitutes discrimination
9 on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, and marital status; and

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11 WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 993, Regular Session of 2023,
12 requires health insurers and similar entities that provide
13 coverage for in vitro fertilization procedures for certain
14 married opposite-sex couples to provide parity coverage for
15 same-sex couples, unmarried women, and opposite-sex couples for
16 whom male infertility is the relevant factor; and

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18 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 23-51, Hawaii Revised
19 Statutes, before any legislative measure that mandates health
20 insurance coverage for specific health services, specific
21 diseases, or certain providers of health care services as part
22 of individual or group health insurance policies, can be
23 considered, a concurrent resolution shall be passed requesting
24 the Auditor to prepare and submit to the Legislature a report
25 that assesses both the social and financial effects of the
26 proposed mandated coverage under that legislative bill; now,
27 therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the
31 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is



1 requested to conduct a social and financial assessment, pursuant
2 to sections 23-51 and 23-52, Hawaii Revised Statutes, of
3 mandating parity in vitro fertilization health insurance
4 coverage for same-sex couples, unmarried women, and opposite-sex
5 couples for whom male infertility is the relevant factor, as
6 proposed in Senate Bill No. 993, Regular Session of 2023; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
9 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
10 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
11 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
12 2024; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor and
16 Insurance Commissioner.

