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RE: S.B. No. 752

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Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 752, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase, beginning January 1, 2026, the notice period for an insurer to notify a policyholder of a cancellation or nonrenewal of an insurance policy.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Insurers Council. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company; American Property Casualty Insurance Association; and Liberty Mutual Insurance.

Your Committee finds that, under existing law, insurers are allowed to cancel a policy upon a ten-day notice. However, due to the precarious environment of property insurance in the State, this period of notice is inadequate to provide policyholders with sufficient time to obtain replacement insurance coverage. Extending the notice period for the cancellation of insurance policies will therefore promote transparency and enable consumers to make informed decision regarding property insurance.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Limiting the provisions of this measure to policies of insurance on property used for residential purposes, including multi-family residential purposes;
- (2) Changing the period of written notice for cancellations to twenty days, rather than thirty days;
- (3) Specifying that in the cancellation of a policy due to nonpayment of premium or material representation, the property insurer must give notice no fewer than ten days before the effective date of the cancellation;
- (4) Changing the period of written notice for the nonrenewal of a policy to thirty days, rather than sixty days;
- (5) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) 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 Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 752, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 752, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

SCOT Z. MATAYSHI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 752, SD1	Committee Referral:	Date: 3/25/25
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)		
CPC Members	Ayes Ayes	(WR) Nays Excused
1. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (C)	\checkmark	
2. CHUN, Cory M. (VC)	V	
3. ILAGAN, Greggor		
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda		
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco		
6. KONG, Sam Satoru		
7. LOWEN, Nicole E.		
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8. MARTEN, Lisa		
9. TAM, Adrian K.		
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10. PIERICK, Elijah		
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronymany		
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:		
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