

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 7, 2006RE: H.B. No. 2670
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2670
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to establish the Hawaii Health Authority to work toward developing a single-payer, universal healthcare program that will provide health care for all Hawaii citizens.

The Christian Science Committee on Publication - Hawaii, and several concerned individuals supported this bill. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs opposed this measure. Kaiser Permanente did not support the bill. The Department of Human Services submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to \$1 to promote further discussion on this important measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for 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. 2670, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2670, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair



