

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1660

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 9, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 1140
S.D. 2
H.D. 3

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 1140, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to require all health plans to reimburse:

- (1) Critical access hospitals at a rate of not less than an unspecified percentage of costs consistent with Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement rates; and
- (2) Federally qualified health centers no less than their respective prospective payment system rates under Hawaii law.

The Lanai Women's Center dba Lanai Community Health Center, Waimanalo Health Center, Bay Clinic, Inc., Kalihi-Palama Health Center, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, Hamakua Health Center, Hoola Lahui Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of Human Services, Hawaii Association of Health Plans, and Hawaii Medical Association opposed this measure. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and American Family Life Assurance Company of Columbus offered comments.

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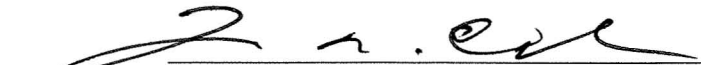


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1140, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1140, S.D. 2, H.D. 3.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



