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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MAKE  
RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE CREATION OF A HAWAII ALL-  
PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSPARENT  
PUBLIC REPORTING OF HEALTH CARE INFORMATION.

1           WHEREAS, according to the State Scorecard published in 2007  
2 by the Commonwealth Fund, Hawaii ranked number one among the  
3 states in health system performance and is a leader in improving  
4 and reforming its health system; and

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6           WHEREAS, Hawaii is always seeking to improve the quality of  
7 health care provided; and

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9           WHEREAS, all-payer claims databases provide information  
10 necessary to determine utilization patterns and rates, identify  
11 gaps in needed disease prevention and health promotion, assist  
12 with benefit design and planning, and establish clinical  
13 guideline measurements related to quality, safety, and  
14 continuity of care; and

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16           WHEREAS, seven states have already established all-payer  
17 claims databases and three more states are currently developing  
18 programs; and

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20           WHEREAS, all-payer claims databases provide benefits and  
21 information to consumers, employers, health plans, insurance  
22 providers, researchers, and state government; and

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24           WHEREAS, all-payer claims databases increase insurers',  
25 hospitals', and physicians' accountability by providing  
26 consumers with easily accessed and understood information  
27 comparing services, costs, and success rates; and

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29           WHEREAS, all-payer claims databases will provide the State  
30 and hospitals with the comprehensive information necessary to



1 reform Hawaii's hospitals to be cost-efficient without  
2 sacrificing their high standard of care; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth  
5 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the  
6 House of Representatives concurring, that the Insurance  
7 Commissioner is requested to establish an advisory committee to  
8 make recommendations regarding the creation and maintenance of a  
9 Hawaii all-payer claims database for the purpose of publicly  
10 reporting health care and health quality data including  
11 information on safety, quality, cost, and efficiency at all  
12 levels of health care; and

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory committee shall be  
15 named the Committee on the Creation of a Hawaii All-Payer Health  
16 Claims Database (Committee); and

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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of the Committee is  
19 to research and report to the Legislature:

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21 (1) What data is necessary to measure the safety,  
22 timeliness, effectiveness, efficiency, equity, and  
23 patient-centeredness of Hawaii's health care;  
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25 (2) Specific methods and strategies, including mandatory  
26 and voluntary reporting, to measure and collect data  
27 related to health care safety and quality,  
28 utilization, cost to payers and purchasers, and health  
29 outcomes;  
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31 (3) Recommendations about the inclusion of data on the  
32 uninsured;  
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34 (4) Types of information that allow public and private  
35 health care purchasers, consumers, and data analysts  
36 to identify and compare health plans, health insurers,  
37 health care facilities, and health care providers  
38 regarding the provision of safe, cost-effective, high-  
39 quality health care services;  
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41 (5) Data elements that foster quality improvement and peer  
42 group comparisons;  
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- 1 (6) Strategies to facilitate value-based, cost-effective
- 2 purchasing of health care services by public and
- 3 private purchasers and consumers;
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- 5 (7) Methods to use and build upon existing data collection
- 6 standards and methods to establish and maintain the
- 7 database in a cost-effective and efficient manner;
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- 9 (8) Recommendations on where the database should be
- 10 located;
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- 12 (9) Discussion on whether to harmonize a Hawaii database
- 13 with other states' and regions' all-payer claims
- 14 databases and what steps would be necessary to do so;
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- 17 (10) Viable options of funding the creation of the all-
- 18 payer health claims database and a plan for the
- 19 financial stability of the database; funding should
- 20 include gifts, grants, fees, or donations; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee consist of the  
23 following members:

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- 25 (1) One member of academia with experience in health care
- 26 data and cost efficiency research;
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- 28 (2) One representative of the Healthcare Association of
- 29 Hawaii;
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- 31 (3) One representative of an integrated, multi-specialty
- 32 health care organization;
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- 34 (4) One representative of the Hawaii Medical Association
- 35 representing physicians and surgeons;
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- 37 (5) One representative of small businesses, as determined
- 38 by Title 13 of the Code of Federal Regulations section
- 39 121.201, that purchase group health insurance for
- 40 employees; provided that the representative is not a
- 41 supplier or broker of health insurance;
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- 43 (6) One representative from one of the largest employers
- 44 in the State that purchases health insurance for



1 employees; provided that the representative is not a  
2 supplier or broker of health insurance;

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4 (7) One representative of self-insured employers; provided  
5 that the representative is not a supplier or broker of  
6 health insurance;

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8 (8) One representative of an organization that processes  
9 insurance claims or certain aspects of employee  
10 benefit plans for a separate entity;

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12 (9) One representative of a non-profit organization with  
13 demonstrated experience working with employers to  
14 enhance value and affordability in health insurance;

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16 (10) One person with a demonstrated record of advocating  
17 health care privacy issues on behalf of consumers;

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19 (11) One person with a demonstrated record of advocating  
20 health care issues on behalf of consumers;

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22 (12) One representative of the Hawaii Primary Care  
23 Association;

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25 (13) One representative of non-profit health insurers;

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27 (14) One representative of for-profit health insurers;

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29 (15) One representative of pharmacists or an affiliate  
30 society;

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32 (16) One representative of the Hawaii Health Information  
33 Corporation; and

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35 (17) One representative of non-profit organizations that  
36 facilitate health information exchange to improve  
37 health care for the people of Hawaii; and

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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following act as ex officio  
40 members of the Committee:

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42 (1) The administrator of the Med-QUEST Division or the  
43 administrator's designee;



1 (2) The Director of Health or the Director's designee; and

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3 (3) One representative of the Hawaii Employer-Union Health  
4 Benefits Trust Fund; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Committee  
7 select a chairperson from among themselves, and the chairperson  
8 is requested to convene meetings; and

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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Committee  
11 serve without compensation or reimbursement for expenses; and

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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Committee be situated in the  
14 Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs for administrative  
15 purposes; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference  
18 Bureau is requested to assist the Committee in drafting its  
19 recommendations and proposed legislation; and

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee is requested to  
22 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
23 any implementing legislation, to the Legislature no later than  
24 twenty days before the convening of the Regular Session of 2011;  
25 and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee cease to exist  
28 after the adjournment sine die of the 2011 Regular Session of  
29 the Legislature; and

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
32 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the  
33 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
34 Representatives, the Chair of the House Standing Committee on  
35 Health, the Director of Health, the Director of Human Services,  
36 the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the Insurance  
37 Commissioner, the Chief Executive Officers of the Healthcare  
38 Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Association, Hawaii  
39 Primary Care Association, and Hawaii Health Information  
40 Corporation, the Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau,  
41 and the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Hawaii Employer-  
42 Union Health Benefits Trust Fund.

