
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY, ANALYZE,
AND PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE
HEALTH BENEFIT INSURANCE PLAN TO PROVIDE TO ALL GOVERNMENT
WORKERS THAT ARE CURRENTLY COVERED BY THE EMPLOYER-UNION
HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

1 WHEREAS, State and county employees, retirees, and their
2 dependents have been enrolled in a single health benefits
3 delivery system, known as the Employer-Union Health Benefits
4 Trust Fund ("EUTF"), for nearly a decade; and
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6 WHEREAS, providing government workers with a quality health
7 insurance plan at a cost effective price is imperative,
8 especially while working in an uncertain financial economy; and
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10 WHEREAS, health benefits are a significant component of the
11 total compensation package for public employers, comprising a
12 substantial part of public employer payroll costs; and
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14 WHEREAS, the rising cost of health benefits under the EUTF
15 have created financial hardships for some beneficiaries and
16 their families; and
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18 WHEREAS, a study, analysis, and comparison by the
19 Legislative Reference Bureau of the previously enacted Hawaii
20 Public Employees Health Fund ("Health Fund"), the currently
21 enacted EUTF, and other available health plan alternatives for
22 government workers would be beneficial in determining the long-
23 term costs and benefits of health care for government workers;
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26 WHEREAS, an objective recommendation by the Legislative
27 Reference Bureau is needed on whether the Health Fund or the
28 EUTF is the most cost effective plan and if there is an
29 alternative plan, such as a hybrid of the Health Fund and EUTF,
30 that should be considered; now, therefore,



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 2 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 3 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 4 of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Reference
 5 Bureau is requested to study, compare, and analyze the cost
 6 effectiveness of the previously enacted Hawaii Public Employees
 7 Health Fund, the currently enacted Employer-Union Health
 8 Benefits Trust Fund, and a hybrid plan proposed by various
 9 employee unions in S.B. No. 2849, Regular Session of 2010; and

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 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference
 12 Bureau is requested to provide a recommendation on which plan,
 13 i.e., the Hawaii Public Employees Health Fund, Employer-Union
 14 Health Benefits Trust Fund, or the hybrid plan proposed by
 15 various employee unions in S.B. No. 2849, Regular Session of
 16 2010, would be the most cost effective; and

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 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference
 19 Bureau is requested to report its findings and recommendations
 20 to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
 21 convening of the 2011 Regular Session; and

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 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 24 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
 25 Board of the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund, the
 26 Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau, and the Office of
 27 Collective Bargaining.

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 30 OFFERED BY.

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is a cursive name that appears to be 'Daniel'. The second signature is more stylized and appears to be 'R. A. ...'. Both signatures are written over horizontal lines that serve as a baseline for the text 'OFFERED BY.'

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