

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 26, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2354
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2354 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE FRAUD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen the insurance fraud laws by incorporating provisions from the National Conference of Insurance Legislators' Model Insurance Fraud Act that facilitate the disclosure of information to the Insurance Fraud Investigations Branch for the purpose of detecting, prosecuting, or preventing insurance fraud.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii Medical Service Association, and Property Casualty Insurers Association of America testified in support of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to December 21, 2058, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency, clarity, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2354, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2354, H.D. 1.

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



JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



