

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 4, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2354

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, 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 efforts against insurance fraud by:

- (1) Requiring cooperation with insurance fraud investigations conducted by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA); and
- (2) Barring proceeds or restitution resulting from DCCA investigations and prosecutions to those who fail to cooperate.

DCCA, the Hawaii Medical Service Association, and the American Council of Life Insurers testified in support of this bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2354 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



