

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 4, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2939
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 Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2939
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LONG TERM CARE
COMMISSION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assist those preparing for the
possible need for assistance as they age by requiring the Long
Term Care Commission (Commission) established by Act 224, Session
Laws of Hawaii 2008, to review the feasibility of establishing a
long term care insurance fund (Fund) to assist residents who would
otherwise not qualify for any government or private long term care
insurance program.

The Department of Taxation, Hawaii Restaurant Association,
and a concerned individual opposed this measure. AARP - Hawaii
and the Chairperson of the Commission provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

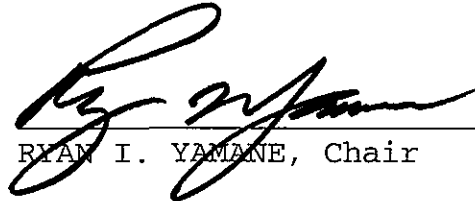
- (1) Deleting language related to any increase in the general
excise tax on food and drug products to provide
financing for the Fund;
- (2) Requiring the Commission to develop recommendations for
funding mechanisms for the Fund; and



- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2939, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2939, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

HSCR 109-10

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2939	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN	Date: February 2, 2010		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				/
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	/			
5. BROWER, Tom	/			
6. CARROLL, Mele				/
7. MIZUNO, John M.	/			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
9. FINNEGAN, Lynn	/			
TOTAL (9)	7			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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