

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 208

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 698

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 698 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to make health insurance temporarily available to certain unemployed individuals by establishing a three-year pilot program to provide health insurance to individuals who have been uninsured for at least six months due to the loss of a job for reasons other than voluntary separation, discharge for work-related misconduct, or work stoppage caused by a labor dispute. This bill also appropriates funds for this program.

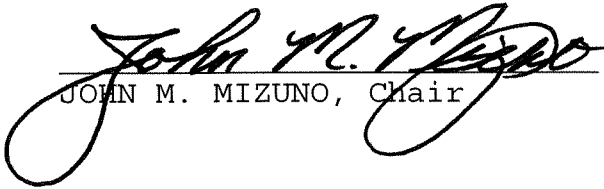
The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, ILWU Local 142, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services and the Hawaii Medical Service Association provided comments.

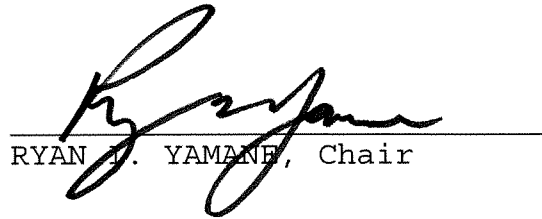
As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Human Services that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 698 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

HB698 HSCR HLT-HUS HMS 2009-1914



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and Human
Services,

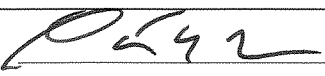

JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair


RYAN A. YAMANE, Chair



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The Twenty-fifth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 698	Committee Referral: HLT/HUS, LAB, FIN	Date: 2-06-09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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	1		1
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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