

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2107  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2107, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund definition of "dependent-beneficiary", relating to individuals with disabilities, to conform with the definition used for Medicare purposes.

Your Committee finds that the definition of "dependent-beneficiary", with regards to individuals with disabilities under the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund, is inconsistent with the definition used for Medicare purposes pursuant to Title 42 United States Code section 426(b). Your Committee believes that by conforming the current definition with federal law, more people will be eligible for insurance benefits under the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2107, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



