

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 20 2010 , 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2566
H.D. 2
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
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Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2566, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL AND REHABILITATION BENEFITS, "

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that injured workers have access to appropriate health care by clarifying that a physician or surgeon may conduct diagnostic testing or engage in a one-time consultation for a subspecialty diagnostic evaluation and treatment recommendation from a board-certified or licensed specialist, who may work in a facility where the physician or surgeon has a financial interest.

Your Committee on Conference finds that giving treating physicians the ability to conduct diagnostic testing or engage in a one-time consultation for a subspecialty diagnostic evaluation and treatment recommendation has the potential to provide the injured



worker with a quicker recovery, thus enabling them to return to work sooner. Your Committee on Conference also finds that permitting the injured worker to receive a one-time consultation from a specialist that works in a medical facility where the referring physician or surgeon has a financial interest will not prevent the injured worker from receiving diagnostic services from a qualified specialist that may have exceptional expertise in a particular field of medical study.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2010.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2566, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2566, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 2566, HD 2					Date/Time: 4/16/10 3:00 PM				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y., Chr.	✓				RHOADS, Karl, Co-Chr.	✓			
IGE, David Y., Co-Chr.	✓				HERKES, Robert N., Co-Chr.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓	YAMASHITA, Kyle T., Co-Chr.	✓			
					TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
					PINE, Kymberly Marcos			✓	
TOTAL	2			1	TOTAL	4	1		
A = Aye		WR = Aye with Reservations			N = Nay		E = Excused		
Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted					House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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