

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2885
S.D. 2
H.D. 1
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. 2885, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS,"

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 establish a health savings account task force within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for administrative purposes to study the current state of health savings account options in Hawaii's health insurance market, establish a plan of action to expand the use of health savings accounts, identify and recruit potential health plans, develop a way to implement flexible spending accounts for employee benefit programs that allow unspent funds in the account to carry over to the next year, and assess the potential economic impact of expanding health savings accounts in the State.



Your Committee finds that health savings accounts are an available alternate means of paying for health care that may generate significant health care cost savings for certain Hawaii residents. Your Committee also finds that health savings accounts options in Hawaii's health insurance market should be carefully examined to ensure compliance with Hawaii prepaid health care law.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Including a representative from the Hawaii Credit Union League on the health savings account task force; and
- (2) Changing the effective date of this measure to upon approval.

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. 2885, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2885, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



RYAN I. YAMANE, Co-Chair



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



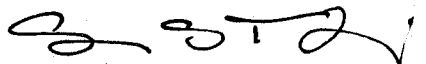
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