

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 6, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 1915  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1915 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to bring more transparency into the operations of the Medicaid program in Hawaii by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Human Services to notify the Legislature of any proposed changes to the Medicaid program in Hawaii and state plan amendments; and
- (2) Clarifying that the Legislature may enact law to require the Department of Human Services to make changes to the Medicaid program in Hawaii or submit a state plan amendment.

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Consumer Family and Youth Alliance, and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Hawaii Primary Care Association supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Human Services opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

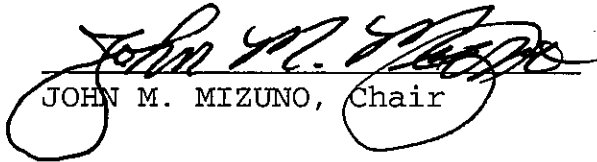
- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1915, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1915, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Legislative Management.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services,

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



