

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 16 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2035
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 2035, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the health of Hawaii's people by prohibiting insurers from requiring an insured who is at least 40 years old to obtain a referral from a primary-care provider or other physician for an annual screening mammogram.

The American Cancer Society, Hawaii Medical Service Association, and Planned Parenthood of Hawaii supported this bill. The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2035, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



