

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 286

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Feb 15, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 596

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Human Services and Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 596 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to require the Department of Human Services (DHS) to presume eligible for Medicaid applicants who have been waitlisted for long-term care who are able to show proof of certain income and asset requirements, waitlist status, and level of care requirements.

Additionally, this bill:

- (1) Establishes provisions for the disenrollment of applicants who are later determined to be ineligible for Medicaid after receiving services during the period of presumptive eligibility, including requiring DHS to reimburse the provider or plan;
- (2) Requires DHS to submit a report to each Legislature beginning with the Regular Session of 2012 and ending with the Regular Session of 2016, regarding costs and issues related to Medicaid presumptive eligibility;
- (3) Requires DHS to conduct a study for a potential computerized system for processing Medicaid applications; and





- (4) Appropriates \$200,000 for the 2011-2012 fiscal year to cover the costs of reimbursements to providers or plans for services provided to waitlisted patients who are enrolled but are later determined to be ineligible.

The Queen's Medical Center, the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, the Hawaii Disability Rights Center, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, and Hawaii Pacific Health testified in support of this bill. DHS provided comments.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 596 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Human Services  
and Health,

  
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RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair

  
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JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair





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House of Representatives  
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 596</b>	Committee Referral: <b>Health (HLT)</b>	Date: <b>2/7/2011</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				✓
4. HANOHANO, Faye P.	✓			
5. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
6. LEE, Chris	✓			
7. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
8. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
9. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
10. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>1</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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