
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND TO PAY THE TRICARE RESERVE SELECT PREMIUM FOR ELIGIBLE STATE AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES WHO DECLINE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE THROUGH THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND AND INSTEAD OPT FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE THROUGH TRICARE RESERVE SELECT.

1 WHEREAS, health insurance coverage through the Hawaii
2 Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund is offered to state
3 and county employees; and
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5 WHEREAS, numerous state and county employees are members of
6 the National Guard and Reserves and are also eligible for health
7 insurance coverage through TRICARE Reserve Select; and
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9 WHEREAS, the monthly premium rates for health insurance
10 coverage through TRICARE Reserve Select are considerably less
11 than the monthly premium rates for health insurance coverage
12 through Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund health
13 plans; and
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15 WHEREAS, state and county employees who are members of the
16 National Guard or Reserves and who are eligible for health
17 insurance coverage through the Hawaii Employer-Union Health
18 Benefits Trust Fund, but instead opt for coverage through
19 TRICARE Reserve Select, create savings for the Hawaii Employer-
20 Union Health Benefits Trust Fund because it does not pay the
21 employer's share of their premiums; and
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23 WHEREAS, if the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust
24 Fund were to offer to pay the TRICARE Reserve Select premium for
25 eligible state and county employees, more of those employees may
26 consider choosing TRICARE Reserve Select for their health
27 insurance coverage, thereby creating significant cost savings
28 for the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund; now,
29 therefore,
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H.R. NO. 62

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 2 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 3 Session of 2013, that the Board of Trustees of the Hawaii
 4 Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund is urged to pay the
 5 TRICARE Reserve Select premium for eligible state and county
 6 employees who are members of the National Guard and Reserves and
 7 who decline health insurance coverage through the Hawaii
 8 Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund and instead opt for
 9 health insurance coverage through TRICARE Reserve Select; and

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 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 12 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Finance and the
 13 Chairperson of the Board of the Hawaii Employer-Union Health
 14 Benefits Trust Fund, who is requested, in turn, to transmit
 15 copies of this Resolution to the members of the Board of
 16 Trustees of the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust
 17 Fund.

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