
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that consumer protection
2 is extremely important to the State and that the roles of
3 insurance appraisers and insurance umpires under the insurance
4 code may need to be regulated to better protect the interests of
5 the people of Hawaii.

6 The purpose of this Act is to require the office of the
7 auditor to conduct a study on whether the scope of persons
8 authorized to work as insurance appraisers and insurance umpires
9 in the State needs to be further regulated to better serve the
10 people of Hawaii.

11 SECTION 2. (a) The office of the auditor, with
12 cooperation from the insurance division of the department of
13 commerce and consumer affairs, shall conduct a study on the
14 regulation of insurance appraisers and insurance umpires in the
15 State. This study shall, at minimum, examine the following:

16 (1) Deficiencies in the current statutory framework for
17 insurance appraisers and insurance umpires that may



1 lead to confusion for consumers regarding the scope of
2 persons that may provide insurance appraisers and
3 insurance umpires services;

4 (2) How other states regulate insurance appraisers and
5 insurance umpires; and

6 (3) If the regulation of insurance appraisers and
7 insurance umpires is warranted in the State.

8 (b) The office of the auditor shall submit the study,
9 including its findings, recommendations, and proposed
10 legislation, if any, to the legislature no later than twenty
11 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2017.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Insurance; Insurance Appraisers; Insurance Umpires

Description:

Requires the Auditor to conduct a study regarding the regulation of insurance appraisers and insurance umpires in the State.
(HB1990 HD1)

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