

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 202-16

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1897

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1897  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE COVERAGE OF HEALTH  
SCREENINGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure insurance coverage  
for sexually transmitted disease screenings, including screenings  
for human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immunodeficiency  
syndrome, during a woman's annual pelvic exam.

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii, Hawaii Medical  
Service Association, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, The Chamber of  
Commerce Hawaii, and several individuals testified in support of  
this measure. The Department of Health, Department of Commerce  
and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust  
Fund, Hawaii Medical Association, American Council of Life  
Insurers, Hawaii Section of the American Congress of Obstetricians  
and Gynecologists, and an individual provided comments on this  
measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that the insurance coverage requirement  
applies to annual screenings for all patients, instead  
of only to screenings provided to women in conjunction  
with an annual gynecological exam;

HB1897 HD1 HSCR HLT HMS 2016-1790



- (2) Clarifying that the exemption from the screening coverage requirement applies to limited benefit health insurers described in section 431:10A-102.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2070, and specifying that the measure shall apply to policies, contracts, and plans of health insurance issued or renewed after January 1, 2018, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1897, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1897, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health,



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCR 202-16

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 1897</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HLT, CPC, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/10/16</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
4. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	<del>WWR</del> ✓			✓
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	✓			
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.	✓			
<b>TOTAL (9)</b>	<b>7</b>			<b>2</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; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
Distribution:    Original (White) – Committee    Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office    Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO				