

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1263**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2017

RE: H.B. No. 91
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred H.B. No. 91, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that
acute care hospitals are covered under the State's clean claims
statute.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from The Queen's Health Systems, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii,
Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and Hawai'i Pacific Health.

Your Committee finds that under the State's existing clean
claims statute, health plans must pay providers within thirty days
for uncontested or clean claims submitted in writing and within
fifteen days for clean claims submitted electronically. However,
your Committee notes that revisions made to the clean claims
statute in 2015 unintentionally created ambiguity regarding which
types of providers are covered by this statute. This measure
clarifies the definition of "health care facility" within the
clean claims statute, which will clarify the intent of the clean
claims law and ensure that acute care hospitals are paid in a
timely fashion when uncontested or clean claims are submitted.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 91, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 91, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
CPH

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 91, HD1	Committee Referral: CPH	Date: 3/14/17		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
CHANG, Stanley	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	/			
TOTAL	7			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes