

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

601

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2017

RE: S.B. No. 373

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 S.B. No. 373 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 Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Kaiser Permanente
Hawaii, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, The Queen's Health
Systems, Hawai'i Pacific Health, and Legacy of Life Hawai'i.

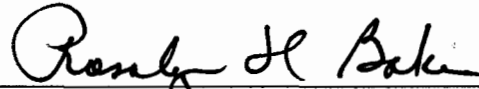
Your Committee finds that under the State's existing clean
claims statute, health plans must pay providers within thirty days
for uncontested or clean claims submitted in writing and within
fifteen days for clean claims submitted electronically.

However, your Committee further finds 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.



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 S.B. No. 373 and recommends that it pass Second Reading 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.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 373	CPH	2/27/17		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Clarence K. Nishihara</i>				
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