

Honolulu, Hawaii
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RE: **MAR 23**
S.B. No. 7
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 7, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) The Department of Human Services (DHS), in collaboration with the Department of Health (DOH), to review the progress of the Hawaii Pathways Project and continue efforts to use Medicaid to provide supportive housing services for chronically homeless individuals; and
- (2) DHS to submit a report to the Legislature on its efforts related to the status of the proposed amendment to expand the State 1115 Medicaid Waiver and to provide supportive housing services.

The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i and Hawaii Meals on Wheels supported this measure. The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and an individual provided comments on this measure.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to reflect that the funds are for fiscal year 2018-2019 to be used to restore basic adult dental benefits to Medicaid enrollees; provided that the Department of Human Services obtains maximum federal matching funds available for this expenditure; and
- (2) Extending the date by which DHS is required to submit a report on the status of its efforts to prior to the 2019 Regular Session.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 7, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 7, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health & Human
Services,


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



