Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 171
        S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

      Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred S.C.R. No. 171 entitled:

      "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO
      ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF REQUIRING HEALTH
      INSURERS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR CLINICAL VICTIM SUPPORT
      SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND ABUSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

      The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Auditor to assess the social and financial effects of requiring
health insurers to provide coverage for clinical victim support
services for victims of sexual violence and abuse.

      Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii and Oʻahu County
Democrats Committee on Legislative Priorities.

      Your Committee finds that sexual violence and abuse can have
severe and lasting emotional and mental health impacts on victims.
Clinical victim support services are a professional intervention
conducted by a qualified mental health services provider to
identify needs and assist in obtaining coordinated, appropriate
services and resources for a victim of sexual violence and abuse
in order to curtail or prevent the progression or worsening of
mental disorders and associated functional impairments caused, in
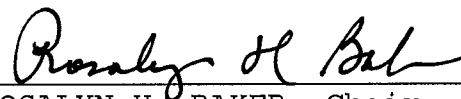whole or in part, by sexual violence and abuse. Clinical victim

support services are not generally covered by health insurers. This measure therefore requests the Auditor to conduct a statutorily-required impact assessment report on the social and financial effects of the mandated health insurance coverage for clinical victim support services proposed by House Bill No. 484, Regular Session of 2019.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Removing incorrect references to mandatory coverage beginning on January 1, 2020, as this date does not appear in House Bill No. 484; and

(2) 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 171, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 171, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
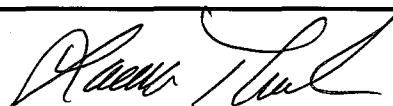
ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

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☐ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.

If so, then the previous decision was to:_____

The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended 2312   ☒ Pass, with amendments 2311   ☐ Hold 2310   ☐ Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)				/
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
TOTAL	4			3

Recommendation:

☒ Adopted   ☐ Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: _[signature]_

*Only <u>one</u> measure per Record of Votes

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