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Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

**Before the
House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Thursday, February 13, 2020
2:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 329**

**On the following measure:
H.B. 2676, H.D. 1, RELATING TO HEALTH CARE**

Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee:

My name is Colin Hayashida, and I am the Insurance Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (Department) Insurance Division. The Department offers comments on this bill.

The purposes of this bill are to: (1) require health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures; and (2) prohibit discrimination in the provision of reproductive health care services.

The Department is in the process of establishing contact with the federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to seek guidance on state-required benefits. The HHS recently proposed rulemaking to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) that addresses states' defrayment and obligations. The HHS proposed rule would require states to annually report to HHS "any state-required

benefits applicable to the individual and/or small group market that are considered in addition to [the essential health benefits.]”¹

This bill sets forth coverage for preventive care services:

- Section 2, on page 2, line 20 to page 6, line 7 applies to individual accident and health or sickness policies;
- Section 3 on page 10, line 5 to page 13, line 11 applies to group accident and health or sickness policies;
- Section 4 on page 17, line 9 to page 20, line 16 applies to individual or group hospital or medical service plan contracts; and
- Section 9 on page 35, line 16 applies to policies, contracts, plans, or agreements issued by health maintenance organizations.

For the Committee’s information, Hawaii Revised Statutes section 23-51 provides in part that “[b]efore any legislative measure that mandates health insurance coverage for specific health services, specific diseases, or certain providers of health care services as part of individual or group health insurance policies, can be considered, there shall be concurrent resolutions passed requesting the auditor to prepare and submit to the legislature a report[.]”

Section 4 of the bill on page 20, lines 10 to 16 presents enforcement difficulties, as 42 United States Code section 300gg-13 does not provide a detailed list of services and instead references guidelines and recommendations issued by agencies.

Section 6 of the bill on page 29, lines 10 to 14 amends the definition of “contraceptive supplies” by adding the phrase, “regardless of whether they are to be used by the insured or the partner of the insured, and regardless of whether they are to be used for contraception or exclusively for the prevention of sexually transmitted infections.” This amendment seemingly mandates coverage for drugs, devices, or

¹ See Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2021; Notice Requirement for Non-Federal Governmental Plans (HHS Notice). This document was published on February 6, 2020 and has a 21-day comment period that ends on March 2, 2020. The PDF version is available at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/02/06/2020-02021/benefit-and-payment-parameters-notice-requirement-for-non-federal-governmental-plans>.

products that are not intended for use by the insured, as well as drugs, devices, or products that are intended only for infection prevention, and not for contraception.

Lastly, the effective date of the bill conflicts with the applicability of certain provisions to plans issued on or after a date certain. While section 14 of this bill provides that it shall apply to all plans issued or renewed on or after March 15, 2021, section 6 on page 25, line 15 and section 8 on page 30, line 20 amend HRS sections 431:10A-116.6 and 432:1-604.5, respectively, to apply to contracts issued on or after January 1, 2020.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2020**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 2676, H.D. 1, RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020 **TIME:** 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 329

TESTIFIER(S): Clare E. Connors, Attorney General, or
Daniel K. Jacob, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General makes the following comments.

The purpose of this bill is to require insurance companies to provide coverage for a spectrum of sexual and reproductive health care services, including family planning, abortion, and postpartum care.

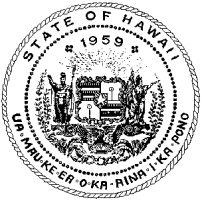
Under section 1311(d)(3)(B) of the Affordable Care Act and 45 C.F.R. section 155.170, a state may only require a Qualified Health Plan to add benefits if the state defrays the cost of the additional benefits, unless the proposed new benefit is directly attributable to State compliance with Federal requirements to provide Essential Health Benefits after December 31, 2011.

This bill would require Qualified Health Plans to provide coverage for the cost of a spectrum of sexual and reproductive health care services. Some of the benefits this bill would mandate, including well-woman exams and services related to cessation of tobacco use, are currently required to be covered by health insurance plans at no cost to the insured. See 26 C.F.R. section 54.2713. Other benefits mandated by this bill however, such as services relating to voluntary sterilization and abortion, may be considered additional benefits because they were neither mandated by state law prior to December 31, 2011, nor directly attributable to compliance with Federal requirements after December 31, 2011. If so, the State may be required to defray the costs.

At this time, our department is unaware of a state that has been subjected to the obligation to defray the cost for additional benefits. Therefore, there are no prior

examples of how the State would meet its obligation and what specific procedures would be necessary to fulfill the obligation. Our department's best understanding is that after the Qualified Health Plan issuer submits the issuer's costs attributable to the additional mandate, the Legislature would need to appropriate the money during the following legislative session and propose a mechanism to distribute the money.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.



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February 13, 2020
Rm. 329, 2:00 p.m.

To: The Honorable Roy M. Takumi, Chair
The Honorable Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
Members of the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

From: Liann Ebesugawa, Chair
and Commissioners of the Hawai‘i Civil Rights Commission

Re: H.B. No. 2676, H.D. 1

The Hawai‘i Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) has enforcement jurisdiction over Hawai‘i’s laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, and access to state and state funded services. The HCRC carries out the Hawai‘i constitutional mandate that no person shall be discriminated against in the exercise of their civil rights. Art. I, Sec. 5.

H.B. No. 2676, H.D. 1, if enacted, will require health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures; and prohibit discrimination in the coverage of, or payment for, such reproductive health services.

The HCRC supports the intent of this measure, but offers comment and concern over the assignment of enforcement jurisdiction to the HCRC over selected violations of HRS chapters 431, 432, 432D, and 346, by incorporating by reference new statutory requirements in those chapters into HRS chapter 489. See pages 9, 16, 24, 25 and 36 of the H.D. 1.

Violations of HRS chapters 431, 432, and 432D fall under the enforcement jurisdiction of the Insurance Commissioner and the DCCA Insurance Division, and violations of HRS chapter 346 fall under the enforcement jurisdiction of DHS. The Insurance Commissioner and Insurance Division have the subject

matter jurisdiction and expertise to investigate and enforce health insurance coverage issues under the statutes they enforce.

However, H.B. 2676, H.D. 1, makes discriminatory denial of insurance coverage for reproductive health services a violation of HRS chapter 489, Discrimination in Public Accommodations, under the enforcement jurisdiction of the HCRC.

The HCRC has a state civil rights law enforcement interest in eliminating discrimination in employment-based health benefit plans, with jurisdiction and authority to enforce Hawai'i state fair employment law, which prohibits employers from discriminating on the basis of race, **sex, including gender identity or expression**, sexual orientation, age, religion, color, ancestry, disability, marital status, arrest and court record, or domestic violence or sexual violence victim status, in "compensation or in the terms, conditions, or privileges of employment." HRS § 378-2(a)(1)(A). Most but not all of Hawai'i residents who are covered by private health plans are covered by employment-based plans.

The HCRC's HRS chapter 378, part I jurisdiction covers employers, but not health insurance providers, except to the extent that there is aider and abettor liability.

The HCRC supports the intent of the bill and the basic premise that no one should be denied coverage for reproductive health services for a prohibited discriminatory reason (race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability).

It is noteworthy that Act 135, L. 2016, enacted similar non-discrimination requirements prohibiting discrimination on the basis of actual or perceived gender identity in chapters 431, 432, and 432D, but did not make violation of these prohibitions a violation of chapter 489. **The HCRC supports the intent of H.B. 2676 H.D. 1, but suggests deletion of the assignment of enforcement jurisdiction by references to chapter 489.**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Golojuch Jr	LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

To: Hawaii State House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, Feb. 13, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Rm. 329
Re: Testimony of Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii in strong support of HB 2676, HD 1 Relating to Health Care

Dear Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee,

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii (“PPVNH”) writes in strong support of HB 2676, which seeks to ensure equal access to critical sexual and reproductive health care, including abortion, for all people in Hawaii.

All people in Hawaii – regardless of income, gender identity, or type of insurance – should have access to the full range of no-copay preventive reproductive health services. To safeguard its communities, Hawaii should pass HB 2676 to codify the Affordable Care Act’s coverage requirements into state law and expand protected services to include abortion and vasectomy. The Hawaii Legislature should also pass HB 2676 because it prohibits insurance companies from discriminating in insurance coverage, including coverage of reproductive health services, based on gender or gender identity.

HB 2676 ensures insurance coverage of the full range of sexual and reproductive health care. While state law requires insurance plans to pay the full range of FSA-approved contraceptives without cost-sharing, thousands of people must pay out-of-pocket for other basic, preventive health services. Without action, people in Hawaii will continue to delay care or forego care altogether due to these out-of-pocket costs, risking their health and economic security. We are already seeing the consequences of Hawaii’s coverage gaps: for example, Hawaii’s sexually transmitted infections (STIs) rates are the highest they have been in 30 years, with the STI rates more than doubling over the last ten years. Congressional leaders and the current federal administration have made it clear that enacting additional restrictions on health care access and undermining consumer protections are their top priorities. They have targeted the rights of women and LGBTQ people with attacks on non-discrimination protections and access to abortion and birth control. Most recently, the federal administration finalized a rule designed to make it much more difficult for private health insurance plans to cover abortion care. Without HB 2676, insurers will most certainly consider discontinuing this important coverage.

Given these federal attacks on basic rights and health care, it is more important than ever that our state legislature act to ensure that nobody loses access to the health care and protections they depend on. HB 2676 will do just that. This legislation would codify the Affordable Care Act (ACA) preventive service coverage requirements in state law, ensuring that people in Hawaii don’t lose their access to no-copay preventive services such as birth control, well-person exams, and life-saving cancer screenings. It would also strengthen and expand these coverage requirements by requiring coverage of the full range of sexual and reproductive health care services, including abortion and vasectomy. And it would make sure that all people in Hawaii can access these important services, regardless of gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

HB 2676 is a cost-effective solution. Protecting and expanding access to sexual and reproductive health is not only the right thing to do, it is also cost-effective for consumers and health plans alike. The services included in this legislation are basic components of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care and are all associated with significant potential cost savings. That’s because providing basic preventive care avoids the need for more expensive treatment and management down the road; for example, preventing unplanned pregnancies creates significant cost-savings. Therefore, even if some services are determined to be new mandated benefits, in the

long term, covering these services would likely be either cost-neutral or even create cost savings for health plans. Because of this cost-effectiveness, requiring coverage of these services would likely have a minimal impact on premiums, which in turn means that there would be minimal additional cost to the state to offset any potential premium increases.

HB 2676 is similar to coverage requirements in other states. Many other states have already implemented requirements found in HB 2676 including the comprehensive sexual and reproductive health requirements. For example:

In 2018 the Washington Legislature passed Substitute Senate Bill 6219, also known as the Reproductive Parity Act.¹ This legislation required that state-regulated health plans that cover maternity care provide substantially equivalent coverage for abortion care. It also expanded contraceptive coverage requirements beyond those in the ACA, including gender-neutral coverage of sterilization services for all enrollees and coverage of over-the-counter contraception. None of the requirements in this legislation was determined to be a new mandate that would trigger section 1311(d)(3) of the ACA.

In 2017 the Oregon Legislature passed House Bill 3391, also known as the Reproductive Health Equity Act.² This bill required comprehensive, non-discriminatory coverage of sexual and reproductive health care services. This included coverage of abortion and a wide range of other sexual and reproductive health care services at no out-of-pocket cost to the patient.

In 2019, the Illinois Legislature passed the Illinois Reproductive Health Act, which required public and private insurance plans that provide pregnancy benefits to also cover abortions services – any deductible, coinsurance, waiting period, or other cost-sharing limit that applies to abortion cannot be higher than what the policy requires for other pregnancy care.³

Several states have also put in place laws that codify existing requirements from the ACA to ensure that those important protections stay in place at the state level, no matter what happens at the federal level. For example, in 2017, Washington State enacted legislation requiring state-regulated health plans to cover all preventive services required to be covered under federal law as of December 31, 2016, without cost sharing.⁴ The requirements of this legislation are broader than Hawaii's HB 2676, but the reproductive preventive health services are nearly identical to the coverage required in §431:10A-A(a)(1) of HB 2676. In the fiscal note for Washington's legislation, the Washington Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) noted that "[t]his bill does not have a direct fiscal impact on the OIC because the bill maintains coverage of preventive services with zero cost-sharing as they currently exist in Federal law and are currently being enforced by the OIC."⁵ As OIC rightly stated, these are not new requirements: HB 2676 and similar legislation in other states simply require health plans to continue covering the basic health care that the ACA already requires them to cover. For example, states must already comply with coverage for any additional preventive women's services under 42 U.S. Code section 300gg-13 of the ACA. These federal coverage requirements are already in place across the country and have already been well-defined.

¹ Washington State Legislature, *Senate Bill 6219*, 2018. Accessed at <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=6219&Initiative=false&Year=2017>

² Oregon State Legislature, *Senate Bill 3391*, 2017. Accessed at <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB3391>

³ Illinois State Legislature, *House bill 2495*, 2019. Accessed at <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/billstatus.asp?DocNum=2495&GAID=15&GA=101&DocTypeID=HB&LegID=118530&SessionID=108>

⁴ Washington State Legislature, *Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1523*, 2018. Accessed at <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=1523&Year=2017&Initiative=false>

⁵ Washington State Office of Financial Management, *Multi-Agency Fiscal Note Summary for ESHB 1523*, 2018. Accessed at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ofm/fnspublic/FNSPublicSearch/Search/1523/65>

Other states that have passed coverage requirements have found that continuing to require health plans to cover existing mandates in the ACA is simple and minimally burdensome. And other states have also determined that passing legislation that includes broader coverage requirements than those included in the ACA does not necessarily create new mandates, because in some cases these coverage requirements simply clarify and codify the state's existing commitment to covering comprehensive, non-discriminatory sexual and reproductive health care. ACA requirements also continue to expand and evolve, making the impact of HB 2676 on Hawaii minimal – for example, all plans that have an effective date of June 11, 2020 or later are now required to cover PrEP medication without cost sharing. In implementing HB 2676, Hawaii can look to the example of other states and learn from their experiences and successes.

Additionally, it is crucial to note that HB 2676 is focused on insurance coverage, not the provision of care. In Hawaii, refusals of care continue to put patients' health and lives in danger because they enable a patient's care to be based on a hospital's religious beliefs rather than on what is best for the patient's health and circumstances. While Planned Parenthood opposes these refusals of care and religious exemptions, they are already in place in state and federal law. Ultimately, Planned Parenthood would advocate that a patient should receive equal access to health care services, as well as complete and accurate information about their health situation, no matter their reproductive decisions, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

HB 2676 protects confidentiality. The HIPAA Privacy Rule requires providers and insurers to protect patients' Personal Health Information (PHI). However, a provision allowing for some disclosures in connection with billing and payment can and does lead to the disclosure of patients' PHI, sometimes without their understanding or permission. Without strong protections to prevent such disclosure, teens and young adults insured on their parents' health plan may be deterred from seeking care, particularly sensitive services like reproductive health care and mental health services. Victims of domestic and sexual assault may also be prevented from safely accessing care such as contraception and STI testing without their abuser finding out. And if individuals with confidentiality concerns do seek care, they may not be able to use their insurance, forcing them to pay out-of-pocket or turn to already-strained safety net programs.

A number of other states have also taken steps to improve health care access and protect confidentiality for individuals insured as dependents by requiring that health plans communicate directly with the individual receiving care. Planned Parenthood strongly supports putting in place similar confidentiality protections in Hawaii.

Thousands of people in Hawaii still lack access to the full range of reproductive health services. Access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care, without discrimination, is critical for the health and economic security of people in Hawaii. This bill will give more people in Hawaii the ability to decide if and when they have children based on what's best for them and their family's circumstances. Hawaii must continue its leadership in promoting all peoples' ability to access the health care they need and deserve, no matter what happens at the federal level. Please give Hawaii families access to the health care they need to thrive by supporting HB 2676.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of this important legislation.

Sincerely,
Laurie Field
Hawaii State Director



Hawaii Women's Coalition

To: Hawaii State House of Representatives Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, Feb. 13, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Rm. 329
Re: Testimony of Hawaii Women's Coalition in strong support of HB 2676

Dear Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee,

The Hawaii Women's Coalition writes in support of HB 2676. All people in Hawaii – regardless of income, gender identity, or type of insurance – should have access to the full range of preventive sexual and reproductive health services at no cost. While Hawaii has taken steps to codify in state law important protections currently required under the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA), many people still lack access to the critical care they need.

Now is the time to stand up and take action to ensure all people in Hawaii have access to the full range of preventive sexual and reproductive health services with no out-of-pocket costs. Thousands of people in Hawaii still lack access to the full range of reproductive health services. Without action, people in Hawaii will continue to be forced to delay care or forego care altogether, risking their health and economic security.

- While state law requires insurance plans to pay for the full range of FDA-approved contraceptives without cost-sharing, thousands of people must pay out-of-pocket for other basic, preventive health services.
- HB 2676 would fill these coverage gaps – it would strengthen and expand state law by requiring a wide range of sexual and reproductive health care services with no out-of-pocket costs.
- Hawaii needs HB 2676: forcing people to pay out-of-pocket for sexual and reproductive health care negatively impacts health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as people with low incomes, people of color, immigrants, young people, and survivors of domestic violence.
- Transgender and gender non-conforming people often face barriers when accessing services categorized as “women’s” health care, including gender-specific cancer screenings and the full range of reproductive health services. RHEA would help transgender and gender non-conforming people access these necessary and life-saving services.

Please support HB 2676 to ensure that all people in Hawaii have equal and affordable access to the care they need.

Sincerely,
Hawaii Women's Coalition

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Comments:



Pono Hawai'i Initiative

Josh Frost - President • Patrick Shea - Treasurer • Kristin Hamada
Nelson Ho • Summer Starr

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Relating to Health Care
Testifying in Support

Aloha Chair and members of the committee,

The Pono Hawai'i Initiative (PHI) **supports HB2676 Relating to Health Care**, which requires all health insurers, mutual benefits societies and health maintenance organizations to provide comprehensive coverage for reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products and procedures. This measure prohibits discrimination in the provision of reproductive health services.

When comprehensive medical coverage is lacking, preventative care becomes almost nonexistent and larger medical problems can arise. When we do not provide these basic health benefits for all individuals our population suffers and that can affect the health of the community. Making sure all individuals have access to this coverage no matter their race, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age or is essential in making sure individuals receive preventative care and support they need. Reproductive health is a public health issue that can have far reaching effects beyond just one's sexual health.

For all these reasons, we urge you to move this bill forward.

Mahalo for the opportunity,
Gary Hooser
Executive Director
Pono Hawai'i Initiative

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Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patricia Bilyk	Breastfeeding Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:



Hawaii
Children's Action Network Speaks!
Building a unified voice for Hawaii's children

Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks! is a nonpartisan 501c4 nonprofit committed to advocating for children and their families. Our core issues are safety, health, and education.

To: Representative Takumi, Chair
Representative Ichiyama, Vice Chair
House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

Re: **HB 2676 HD1- Relating to reproductive health equity**
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 329
2:00PM, 2/13/2020

Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and committee members,

On behalf of Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks! I am writing in **SUPPORT** of HB 2676 HD1, relating to health insurance.

Recently, there have been efforts to dismantle the Affordable Care Act, with specific focus on removing protections for sexual and reproductive health care benefits and protections. These actions place the burden on states to recognize the new and existing gaps in health care coverage. Hawaii can safeguard reproductive health services for everyone regardless of what happens at the federal level by requiring insurers to cover the full spectrum of reproductive health services for all people regardless of income, gender identity, or insurance carrier.

This legislation will ensure that people in Hawaii have coverage for crucial preventive reproductive health services at no out of pocket cost to them. It also prohibits insurance companies from discriminating in insurance coverage (including the coverage of reproductive health services) based on gender or gender identity.

The people of Hawaii must have access to all reproductive health services so they are able to make the best decisions for their families. Unfortunately, for many individuals and families in Hawaii already struggling to afford their most basic needs, they simply cannot afford the added expense of these services. This means forgoing contraception, STI testing, screening for other diseases, wellness exams, and information about pregnancy options. As a result, diseases will go undetected and unintended pregnancies, STIs, and abortion rates will likely increase.

When people are denied these vital services it further threatens the economic security of all people in Hawaii because reproductive health services help people pursue an education, get and keep jobs, and support their families.

Hawaii has long been a leader in protecting access to sexual and reproductive health care. As reproductive health services are targeted by the federal government, it is more important than ever the state ensures equitable access to them.

For these reasons, HCAN SPEAKS! respectfully requests the Committee to support this measure.

Thank you.



*American College of
Obstetricians and Gynecologists
District VIII, Hawai'i (Guam & American Samoa) Section*

TO: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020
PLACE: Hawai'i State Capitol, Conference Room 329

FROM: Hawai'i Section, ACOG
Chrystie Fujimoto, MD, FACOG, Chair
Reni Soon, MD, MPH, FACOG, Vice Chair
Lauren Zirbel, Community and Government Relations
Jennifer Chin, MD, Junior Fellow Legislative Chair

Re: HB 2676_HD1 Relating to Health Care

Position: STRONG SUPPORT

As a section of the nation's leading group of physicians dedicated to improving health care for women, the Hawai'i Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (HI ACOG) represents more than 200 obstetrician-gynecologists in our state. HI ACOG **strongly supports HB 2676_HD1** as it aims to protect access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care services in Hawai'i.

Hawai'i has a legacy of progressive action and legislation regarding reproductive rights, family planning, and access to women's health care services. As several states around the country have passed legislation that restricts women's access to comprehensive reproductive health care, it is even more important that progressive states such as Hawai'i to protect women's rights to the full spectrum of women's health care.

As women's health care providers, we see on a daily basis how women in our state depend on access to a wide spectrum of reproductive health care services, including screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, cervical cancer screening and treatment, contraceptive counseling and medications, abortion and miscarriage management, genetic counseling and testing, substance use and mental health disorders, and comprehensive prenatal and postpartum care. Every day we see patients in clinics and in the hospital who seek care because of one of these issues. Luckily, most of the women we see are able to receive these services without having to delay care or worry about payment. Unfortunately, we have also seen the devastating consequences of delayed care due to lack of insurance coverage. We have cared for many patients who did not receive normal pap smears and thus presented with advanced stage cervical cancer. We have taken care of pregnant patients with serious substance use and mental health disorders who were unable to receive treatment before, during, or after their pregnancy. It is critical that the women of Hawai'i have timely, affordable access to the full spectrum of women's healthcare. Not only does this keep the women and families of Hawai'i healthy, but it also makes economic sense. Research has shown that for every dollar spent on reproductive health and family planning, the government saves seven dollars.¹ This does not take into account the burden

¹Frost JJ et al (Guttmacher Institute). "Return on investment: a fuller assessment of the benefits and cost savings of the US publicly funded family planning program." The Milbank Quarterly, 2014.

unintended pregnancies and chronic medical conditions place on the families of Hawai'i, and thus the cost savings is likely even higher.

HB 2676_HD1 guarantees that all people of Hawai'i are able to access the full spectrum of healthcare without any discrimination, regardless of their race, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or ability. Additionally, it ensures that women have full access to contraception including medication prescribed by physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and pharmacists. This will decrease barriers to effective birth control and ensure that women are able to benefit from family planning services without delay. We are proud that our state has a strong tradition of prioritizing women's health. Let us continue to ensure that all women in Hawai'i have unrestricted, full spectrum access to the healthcare they need and deserve. We **strongly support HB 2676_HD1** and urge you to do the same.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify.



**Testimony to the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Thursday, February 13, 2020; 2:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 329**

RE: HOUSE BILL NO. 2676, HOUSE DRAFT 1, RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Members of the Joint Committee:

The Hawaii Primary Care Association (HPCA) is a 501(c)(3) organization established to advocate for, expand access to, and sustain high quality care through the statewide network of Community Health Centers throughout the State of Hawaii. The HPCA offers **COMMENTS** on House Bill No. 2676, House Draft 1, RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

By way of background, the HPCA represents Hawaii Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs). FQHCs provide desperately needed medical services at the frontlines in rural and underserved communities. Long considered champions for creating a more sustainable, integrated, and wellness-oriented system of health, FQHCs provide a more efficient, more effective and more comprehensive system of healthcare.

SECTION 11 would establish a new section to the Department of Human Services' (DHS) statutes (Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS)) that would prohibit the exclusion from participation in, denial of benefits of, or otherwise subject an individual on the basis of a disability the services, drugs, devices, products, or procedures covered by the Insurance Code for reproductive health care. Persons violating this statute would be considered in violation of Chapter 489, HRS, (Unfair Practices Act), as well as possibly be subjected to a cause of action under State or federal law.

As a recipient of federal funding, FQHCs are prohibited from providing abortion services to patients. FQHCs, are also contracted with DHS for reimbursement under the Hawaii Medicaid Program and as such must follow the statutes, rules, and policies of DHS.

Presently, the following are not clear to us:

- (1) If a physician at an FQHC refuses to perform an abortion at an FQHC facility in accordance with federal mandate, would the physician be in violation of SECTION 11?
- (2) If a physician at an FQHC refers a patient to another health care professional to perform an abortion, would that be considered a denial of service in violation of SECTION 11?

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- (3) If yes is answered for either question (1) or (2), would the Federal Tort Claims Act, which provides immunity for physicians and personnel conducting services at an FQHC apply to a cause of action that originates in State court pursuant to SECTION 11?

While we agree that the underlying premise that mandatory reproduction health coverage will improve the health care outcomes of our citizenry, we also believe that possible conflicts in federal and State policy can have catastrophic consequences for health care professionals who must follow the mandates from both.

We note that this bill is substantially similar to a measure heard last year -- Senate Bill No. 1043. We concur with the Senate Committee on Judiciary's finding in Senate Standing Committee Report No. 798, to wit:

*" . . . Your Committee is concerned, however, that the reference to chapter 481, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for penalty and remedy purposes, as specified for each proposed revision of chapter 431, parts I and II; chapter 432; chapter 432D; and **chapter 346**, Hawaii Revised Statutes, should be more closely examined by stakeholders and future committees during the legislative process, and revised if appropriate. . . ." [Emphasis added.]*

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Public Affairs and Policy Director Erik K. Abe at 536-8442, or eabe@hawaiiipca.net.



February 11, 2020

The Honorable Roy M. Takumi, Chair
The Honorable Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Re: HB 2676, HD1 – Relating to Health Care

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members:

The Hawaii Medical Service Association (HMSA) appreciates the opportunity to testify on HB 2676, HD1 which requires health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures. Additionally, this measure prohibits discrimination in the provision of reproductive health services.

HMSA supports the intent of this measure, to preserve certain aspects of the Affordable Care Act for the residents of Hawaii, despite the uncertainties surrounding the efforts to “repeal and replace” the Affordable Care Act. However, this measure appears to add coverage beyond the Affordable Care Act and will result in increased costs to the healthcare system. The requirement of “no-copay’s” in this bill goes against cost sharing that is routinely applied to other medical conditions.

We ask that should this bill move forward, the mandate be removed, and it should be subject to an impact assessment report by the Auditor pursuant to Sections 23-51 and 23-52 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Thank you for allowing us to provide these comments on HB 2676, HD1.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Diesman
Senior Vice-President-Government Relations

Testimony of
John M. Kirimitsu
Legal and Government Relations Consultant

Before:
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
The Honorable Roy M. Takumi, Chair
The Honorable Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

February 13, 2020
2:00 pm
Conference Room 329

HB 2676, HD1, Relating to Health Care

Chair, Vice Chair, and committee members, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on this measure mandating coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures.

Kaiser Permanente Hawaii would like to offer comments and request an amendment.

Kaiser appreciates the intent of this bill to solidify the essential health benefits under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (“ACA”), however Kaiser is concerned that this bill is attempting to mandate new coverage beyond the ACA. Since this bill is mandating new benefits, an impact assessment report by the Auditor is statutorily required under Sections 23-51 and 23-52 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Most importantly, Kaiser opposes the inclusion of abortion, at no cost share, since it directly conflicts with the ACA. The ACA Sect 1303 explicitly prohibits abortion from coverage as an “essential benefit” and confirms existing Federal and State prohibitions on the use of public funds for abortion services.

Nationally, states (California, Maryland, Vermont, Maine, Oregon, New York, and Washington, DC) are suing the Trump administration over a policy that would make it harder for insurers to offer coverage for abortion. The change is expected to affect millions of Americans currently receiving coverage under the Affordable Care Act exchange and whose plans cover abortions. This new federal rule requires insurance providers on the Affordable Care Act marketplace to give two separate bills to consumers whose plans cover abortions: one for their regular premium

and at least \$1 for a separate bill for a special abortion coverage premium. The federal health department (HHS) has defended this rule as a way of ensuring that the Affordable Care Act does not illegally fund abortion in accordance with the Hyde Amendment, a 1976 law that excludes abortion from government insurance plans.

Therefore, since including abortion is inconsistent with federal law, i.e., the ACA does not recognize abortion as a essential health benefit, coupled with the current national controversy prohibiting health insurers from covering abortions, i.e., new separate billing rule, *Kaiser requests an amendment to exclude abortion services from this bill.*

Thank you for your consideration.

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 1:16:55 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Angelina Mercado	Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 12:44:30 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jennifer Chin	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

TO: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020

PLACE: Hawai'i State Capitol, Conference Room 329

FROM: Jennifer Chin, MD, Junior Fellow Legislative Chair

Re: HB 2676_HD1 Relating to Health Care

Position: STRONG SUPPORT

Dear Chair Takumi and Vice Chair Ichiyama,

As a practicing obstetrician/gynecologist, I know the importance of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care and strongly support HB 2676 HD1 as it aims to

protect access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care services in Hawai'i.

Hawai'i has a legacy of progressive action and legislation regarding reproductive rights, family planning, and access to women's health care services. As several states around the country have passed legislation that restricts comprehensive women's health care, it is even more important that leaders of women's health, such as Hawai'i, protect the right to full spectrum women's health care for the benefit of the women and families of Hawai'i.

As women's health care providers, we see on a daily basis how women in our state depend on access to a wide spectrum of reproductive health care services, including screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, cervical cancer screening and treatment, contraceptive counseling and medications, abortion and miscarriage management, genetic counseling and testing, substance use and mental health disorders, and comprehensive prenatal and postpartum care. Every day we see patients in clinic and in the hospital who seek care because of one of these issues. Luckily most of the women we see are able to receive these services without having to delay care or worry about payment.

Unfortunately, we have also seen the devastating consequences of delayed care due to lack of insurance coverage. We have cared for many patients who did not receive normal pap smears and thus presented with advanced stage cervical cancer. We have taken care of pregnant patients with serious substance use and mental health disorders who were unable to receive treatment before, during, or after their pregnancy. It is critical that the women of Hawai'i have timely, affordable access to the full spectrum of women's healthcare. Not only does this keep the women and families of Hawai'i healthy, but it also makes economic sense. Research has shown that for every dollar spent on reproductive health and family planning, the government saves seven dollars. This does not taken into account the burden unintended pregnancies and chronic medical conditions place on the families of Hawai'i, and thus the cost savings is likely even higher.

HB 2676 HD1 guarantees that all people of Hawai'i are able to access the full spectrum of healthcare without any discrimination, regardless of their race, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or ability. Additionally, it ensures that women have full access to contraception including medication prescribed by physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and pharmacists. This will decrease barriers to

effective birth control and ensure that women are able to benefit from family planning services without delay. Let us continue to ensure that all women in Hawai'i have unrestricted, full spectrum access to the healthcare they need and deserve. In conclusion, I strongly support HB 2676 HD1 and urge you to do the same. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Chin

Obstetrics and Gynecology Chief Resident

ACOG Hawaii Section Junior Fellow Legislative Chair

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 2:43:03 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Quinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support HB2676 in order to help preserve women's rights to reproductive health care.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

Kihei, Maui

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 2:54:26 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Taylor Ronquillo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Members of the Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee,

I support HB2676 Relating to Healthcare.

I believe everyone deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care. Gender, gender identity, citizenship status, sexual orientation and income should not be a deciding factor in the access to healthcare. As a graduate student in Public Health, I feel compelled to speak out in support for this bill because of the critical time we are in regarding healthcare and healthcare rights. The federal government and the current administration are not concerned with protecting these rights, so it is up to the state of Hawai'i to do so. Healthcare restrictions have been shown to have harmful effects on public health, and even worse effects for the individuals who already have significant barriers.

I urge you to protect these individuals and support HB2676.

Thank you,

Taylor Ronquillo

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 3:49:07 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cynthia J. Goto	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 4:27:41 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alexandra Bley-Vroman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

With this action Hawaii can show that we provide everyone access to health care of all kinds. We can show that yet again we stand up for all people in the state, regardless of those distinctions mentioned. Hawaii can and should lead the country in this aspect of health care as it has in so many other aspects.

Without action, the people of Hawaii could lose access to care and be subject to the onerous restrictions that the Trump Administration has attempted to burden Americans with. I urge you to support HB 2676 and pass it out of committee.

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 6:47:30 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sara Harris	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama and members of the CPC committee,

I am a practicing obstetrician-gynecologist in Hawaii, and I am writing in strong support of HB2676_HD1 as it aims to protect access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care services in Hawai'i.

Hawai'i has a legacy of progressive action and legislation regarding reproductive rights, family planning, and access to women's health care services. As several states around the country have passed legislation that restricts women's access to comprehensive reproductive health care, it is even more important that progressive states such as Hawai'i to protect women's rights to the full spectrum of women's health care.

As a women's health care provider, I see on a daily basis how women in our state depend on access to a wide spectrum of reproductive health care services, including screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, cervical cancer screening and treatment, contraceptive counseling and medications, abortion and miscarriage management, genetic counseling and testing, substance use and mental health disorders, and comprehensive prenatal and postpartum care. Every day I see patients in clinics and in the hospital who seek care because of one of these issues. Luckily, most of the women I see are able to receive these services without having to delay care or worry about payment.

Unfortunately, I have also seen the devastating consequences of delayed care due to lack of insurance coverage. For example, I have cared for a patient who had palpated a breast lump but was unable to access care due to lack of insurance. By the time she was seen, she had advanced stage cancer which affected her treatment and prognosis. I have also cared for patients who could not access all of the many contraceptive options available to them due to cost. Often these patients end up using more affordable but less effective forms of contraception which can fail and result in unplanned pregnancies putting additional burdens on the patients and their families. It is critical that the women of Hawai'i have timely, affordable access to the full spectrum of women's healthcare.

I strongly support HB 2676_HD, and I appreciate the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

Sara Harris, MD

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 8:33:59 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Caroline Kunitake	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce,

I writing in support of HB2676 HD1.

We need to expand Private Insurance Coverage Requirements.

We need to push back against federal attempts to undermine the Affordable Care Act by pursuing legislation that strengthens and expands our state law by requiring insurers to cover a wide range of sexual and reproductive health care services, including abortion and vasectomy, with no co-pays and on a non-discriminatory basis.

Women must have control over their bodies through the protection of their reproductive rights. Forced births are inhumane to the biological mother and child. By expanding private insurance coverage requirements, we can protect these right to women who have insurance.

Please pass this bill to help all insured women throughout this state.

Mahalo,

Caroline Kunitake

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 8:20:08 AM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lucia You	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 8:23:27 AM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
MJL	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am an OBGYN physician who is part of the University of Hawai'i JABSOM faculty and provides high risk pregnancy care to pregnant women living on all the Hawaiian Islands. This recent awarding of Medicaid Coverage to UHC for all the women on the neighbor islands is very unfortunate since UHC does not provide full-service pregnancy care, while HMSA and AlohaCare Medicaid provides full coverage on Oahu. I urge you to support HB2676 so that companies like UHC will provide full-service pregnancy care for women on the neighbor islands so that they are not penalized for where they live in the State of Hawai'i. Women on the neighbor islands are already at a disadvantage in seeking routine pregnancy services on their islands due to lack of access to standard maternal and fetal health services, so many have to fly to Honolulu to obtain the care they need, which is very costly to the healthcare system. And when companies such as UHC do not provide these services as a standard, the pregnant women usually go without because the out-of-pocket costs are too high.

I urge you to support HB2676 and send a message to UHC that they should not discriminate against pregnant women who live on the neighbor islands and insist that all insurance companies, private or Medicaid, provide comprehensive reproductive health services for ALL the women in our State.

Sincerely,

MJL

TO: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020

PLACE: Hawai'i State Capitol, Conference Room 329

FROM: Jinai Bharucha, MD

Re: HB 2676_HD1 Relating to Health Care

Position: STRONG SUPPORT

Dear Chair Takumi and Vice Chair Ichiyama,

As a practicing obstetrician/gynecologist, I know the importance of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care and **strongly support HB 2676 HD1** as it aims to protect access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care services in Hawai'i.

Hawai'i has a legacy of progressive action and legislation regarding reproductive rights, family planning, and access to women's health care services. As several states around the country have passed legislation that restricts comprehensive women's health care, it is even more important that leaders of women's health, such as Hawai'i, protect the right to full spectrum women's health care for the benefit of the women and families of Hawai'i.

When insurance does not cover contraception, our patients are forced to forgo contraception, which out of pocket will cost more than one month of rent for many on Oahu. Contraception is key to preventing unintended pregnancies which are an exceptional burden not only to our patients' health in many cases, but also to their families. It is critical that the women of Hawai'i have timely, affordable access to the full spectrum of women's healthcare. Not only does this keep the women and families of Hawai'i healthy, but it also makes economic sense. Research has shown that for every dollar spent on reproductive health and family planning, the government saves seven dollars. This does not taken into account the burden unintended pregnancies and chronic medical conditions place on the families of Hawai'i, and thus the cost savings is likely even higher.

HB 2676 HD1 guarantees that all people of Hawai'i are able to access the full spectrum of healthcare without any discrimination, regardless of their race, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or ability. Additionally, it ensures that women have full access to contraception including medication prescribed by physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and pharmacists. This will decrease barriers to effective birth control and ensure that women are able to benefit from family planning services without delay. Let us continue to ensure that all women in Hawai'i have unrestricted, full spectrum access to the healthcare they need and deserve. In conclusion, I **strongly support HB 2676 HD1** and urge you to do the same. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Jinai Bharucha
Obstetrics and Gynecology Resident Physician

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 10:58:45 AM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shandhini Raidoo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

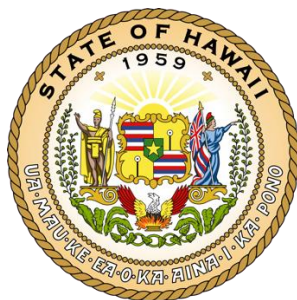
Dear House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce,

I am submitting this testimony in strong support of HB2676. As an obstetrician-gynecologist I take care of people at many different stages of their lives and I know how important it is for them to be able to access reproductive health services that they need. When people can get contraception, screening for reproductive cancers, and testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, they and their families can live healthier, productive lives.

I strongly urge you to support the health of Hawaii's families and support HB 2676.

Sincerely,

Shandhini Raidoo, MD, MPH



‘O kēia ‘ōlelo hō’ike no ke
Komikina Kūlana Olakino o Nā Wāhine

Testimony on behalf of the
Hawai‘i State Commission on the Status of Women
Khara Jabola-Carolus, Executive Director

Prepared for the House Committee on CPC

In Support of HB2676

Thursday, February 13, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 329

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Honorable Members,

The Hawai‘i State Commission on the Status of Women supports HB2676 HD1, which would require health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures. The bill, if passed, would also prohibit discrimination in the provision of reproductive health care services.

The future of women’s health has never been so uncertain. This measure is a necessary step to ensure that women and LGBTQ individuals in Hawai‘i do not lose access to no-copay preventive services such as birth control, breastfeeding support and supplies, domestic and interpersonal violence screenings, gestational diabetes screening, well-woman exams, and life-saving cancer screenings.

HB2676 would also expand these coverage requirements by requiring coverage of the full range of sexual and reproductive health care services, including abortion and treatment to avoid HIV. Further, the measure would ensure that all people in Hawai‘i can live more self-determined lives by guaranteeing access to these important services, regardless of gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation. Accordingly, the Commission requests that the Committee pass HB2676 HD1.

Sincerely,

Khara Jabola-Carolus

Petition in Support of HB 2676

Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

This bill comes at a critical juncture, when the rights of immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ people, and women are all under attack. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

Without action, the people of Hawaii could lose access to care and be subject to the onerous restrictions that the Trump Administration has attempted to burden Americans with. I urge you to support HB 2676 and pass it out of committee.

Signed,

Kendra Bailey	H.G. Picher	Cara Stone	Lexa Grutter
Sunny Chen	Taurie Kinoshita	Bredan Kobayashi	Javier Mendez
Linda McGibney	Erica Yamauchi	Andrew Isoda	Severine Busquet
Jeffery Frelinger	Ervin Bush Jr.	Joann Farnsworth	Hartley Phillips
Barb Travis	Terry Travis	Melinda Wood	Chuck Taylor
Joy Nelson	Kim Faliski	Lauren Cheney	Stephen London
Namphong Quach	Lory Ono	Lisa Kimura	Judith Armstrong
Amber Tseu	Christine Andrews	Thomas Tizard	Jill Greengrove
Jane Spaeth	Acey Frelinger	Ann Freed	John Nix
Debra Nix	Cindy Lance	Rhiannon Scanlon	Dianne Blomquist
Yngrid Feeny	Charles Luce	Christine Rodriquez	Andrew Fox
Lucille Morelli-Vine	Amber Gamboa	Jeffrey Chung	Jeanette Evans
Janice Palma-Glennie	Lisa Brown	Alfred Wolf	Sierra Crabtree
Vivianne Lerner	Janine Wiehl	Jessica McNeil	Amy Truong
Alani Bagcal	Fred Luke	Ryan Santana	April Blades
Laurie Saarinen	B.A. McClintock	Chelsea Ahern	Thaddeus Pham
Joseph Kohn	Ursula Eisenpress		

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: kbailey1900@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kendra Bailey <kbailey1900@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:32 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Kendra Bailey
Newport News, VA 23606

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From: detntom@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of H G Picher
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Sincerely,
H G Picher
Kealia, HI 96749

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: caragentile@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Cara Stone
<caragentile@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:34 PM
To: CPCtestimony
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Sincerely,
Cara Stone
Makawao, HI 96768

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From: a.grutter@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of lexa grutter
<a.grutter@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
lexa grutter
Kailua, HI 96734

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From: sunnychen0301@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sunny Chen <sunnychen0301@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Sunny Chen
Honolulu, HI 96825

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: taurie.bricks@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Taurie Kinoshita
<taurie.bricks@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:43 PM
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Sincerely,
Taurie Kinoshita
Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: b.andrewkobayashi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Brendan Kobayashi
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Sincerely,
Brendan Kobayashi
Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: menjavi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Javier Mendez
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Sincerely,
Javier Mendez
Honolulu, HI 96817

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From: mcgbabe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Linda McGibney
<mcgbabe@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:48 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

Categories: Blue category

Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

This bill comes at a critical juncture, when the rights of immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ people, and women are all under attack. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

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Sincerely,
Linda McGibney
Kailua Kona, HI 96740

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From: erica.yamauchi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Erica Yamauchi
<erica.yamauchi@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Erica Yamauchi
Honolulu, HI 96816

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From: druw.hagi10@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of ANDREW ISODA <druw.hagi10@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:52 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
ANDREW ISODA
Lahaina, HI 96761

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From: severine.busquet@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Severine Busquet
<severine.busquet@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:54 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Severine Busquet
Honolulu, HI 96825

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From: jafrelin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeffrey Frelinger
<jafrelin@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:55 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
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Sincerely,
Jeffrey Frelinger
Kapaa, HI 96746

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From: hutt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ervin Bush Jr
<hutt@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:58 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Ervin Bush Jr
Kihei, HI 96753

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From: jfarnsworth@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joann Farnsworth
<jfarnsworth@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:02 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Joann Farnsworth
Honolulu, HI 96821

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From: hamofhawaii@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Hartley Phillips
<hamofhawaii@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:10 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Hartley Phillips
Pahoa, HI 96778

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From: barbaratravis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Barb Travis
<barbaratravis@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:10 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Barb Travis
Ewa Beach, HI 96706

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From: terrytravis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Terry Travis
<terrytravis@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:12 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Terry Travis
Ewa Beach, HI 96706

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From: mwood17@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Melinda Wood <mwood17@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:52 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

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Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

Hawaii has a proud history of advocating for people who are marginalized and particularly for supporting a woman's right to make her own decisions regarding her reproduction. I'm counting on you to continue this tradition and do the right thing by supporting HB 2676.

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Sincerely,
Melinda Wood
Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: chucktaylor111@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Chuck Taylor <chucktaylor111@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:01 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: .I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Chuck Taylor
Wailea, HI 96753

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From: westmango7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joy Nelson <westmango7@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:17 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Joy Nelson
Kihei, HI 96753

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From: kimfalinski@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kim Falinski
<kimfalinski@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:17 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

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Aloha,

I support HB2676, which would allow everyone to have access to health care. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

Thank you,
Kim

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Sincerely,
Kim Falinski
Honolulu, HI 96817

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From: duffyflove@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lauren Cheney
<duffyflove@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:18 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Lauren Cheney
Lihue, HI 96766

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From: stevelondonmd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Stephen London
<stevelondonmd@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:23 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

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It is amoral to allow the personal or religious beliefs of some to become the law of the land. If we elect a Jehovah's Witness, for example, would it be reasonable to support elimination of insurance coverage for blood transfusions? Of course not!

As a physician, I believe the role of the health insurer is to support the patient-doctor cherished relationship, and keep politics out of it.

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Sincerely,
Stephen London
Makawao, HI 96768

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From: namisop35@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Namphuong Quach <namisop35@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:25 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Namphuong Quach
Honolulu, HI 96814

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From: kealelani@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lory Ono
<kealelani@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:26 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Lory Ono
Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From: ljc.kimura@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lisa Kimura
<ljc.kimura@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:29 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

As a mother of three and former executive director of a nonprofit devoted to maternal and reproductive health services, I cannot express how critical it is for affordable and equitable access.

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Sincerely,
Lisa Kimura
Honolulu, HI 96826

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From: JUDITHANNARMSTRONG@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Judith Armstrong
<JUDITHANNARMSTRONG@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:33 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Judith Armstrong
Honolulu, HI 96815

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From: marchingbabe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amber Tseu
<marchingbabe@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:38 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Amber Tseu
Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: mauiwit@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Christine Andrews
<mauiwit@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 4:56 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Christine Andrews
Saint Paul, MN 55105

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From: tizard8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Thomas Tizard <tizard8@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:00 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Thomas Tizard
Kailua, HI 96734

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From: kj96799@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of K.Jill Greengrove <kj96799@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:16 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
K. Jill Greengrove
Paia, HI 96779

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: janeaspaeth@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jane Spaeth
<janeaspaeth@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:48 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Jane Spaeth
Kekaha, HI 96752

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: joyacey@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Acey Frelinger
<joyacey@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:49 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Acey Frelinger
Kapaa, HI 96746

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: annsfreed@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ann Freed
<annsfreed@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:54 PM
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I have fought my entire life for the rights of women to be treated as fully human. The right to a safe legal abortion is fundamental to our freedom. Without it we are subject to the rule of “keep em barefoot and pregnant.” When the government, the church, the husband get’s to decide what happens to a woman’s body, she is in fact treated like a commodity, a living incubator for the institutions who would control her.

This bill is a not-so-covert attempt to deny women this fundamental right. It comes at a critical juncture, when the rights of immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ people, and women are all under attack. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

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Sincerely,
Ann Freed
Mililani, HI 96789

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: nix@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Nix <nix@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:58 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
John Nix
Kihei, HI 96753

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From: info@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Debra Nix <info@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 5:59 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Debra Nix
Kihei, HI 96753

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From: MissingBenRose@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Cindy Lance
<MissingBenRose@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:02 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

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Sincerely,
Cindy Lance
Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: rhiannon.scanlon@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rhiannon Scanlon
<rhiannon.scanlon@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:10 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Do the right thing.

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Sincerely,
Rhiannon Scanlon
Denver, CO 80209

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From: dpapagayos1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dianne Blomquist <dpapagayos1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:13 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Dianne Blomquist
Princeville, HI 96722

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From: YGFEENEY@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Yngrid Feeney
<YGFEENEY@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:15 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Yngrid Feeney
Kamuela, HI 96743

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From: charlie_in_paradise@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of CHARLES LUCE
<charlie_in_paradise@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:37 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
CHARLES LUCE
Pahoa, HI 96778

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: yonirising@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Christiane Rodriguez
<yonirising@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:42 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Christiane Rodriguez
Papaaloa, HI 96780

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From: alohafoxes@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Andrew Fox
<alohafoxes@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:44 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Andrew Fox
Makawao, HI 96768

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From: lulubell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lucille Morelli-Vine
<lulubell@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:57 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Lucille Morelli-Vine
Honolulu, HI 96816

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From: amber.gamboa@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amber Gamboa
<amber.gamboa@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 7:25 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

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Sincerely,
Amber Gamboa
Haleiwa, HI 96712

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From: jcsatori@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeffrey Chung
<jcsatori@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 7:30 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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I want to add that I have regrets about an abortion I paid for many years ago. Yet I recognize the importance of Choice and access to medical care.

Regards,

Jeff Chung

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Sincerely,
Jeffrey Chung
Honolulu, HI 96816

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From: jennymaui@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeanette Evans
<jennymaui@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 7:45 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Jeanette Evans
Kula, HI 96790

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From: palmtree7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Janice Palma-Glennie <palmtree7@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:15 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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aloha,
so much that we've fought for decades to achieve are being stripped from the public sphere by Republicans, including and especially the rights of women to control their bodies and destinies.

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Sincerely,
Janice Palma-Glennie
Kailua Kona, HI 96745

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From: l4td@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lisa Brown <l4td@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:18 PM
To: CPCtestimony
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Sincerely,
Lisa Brown
Phoenix, AZ 85050

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From: awilliewolf@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alfred Wolf
<awilliewolf@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:20 PM
To: CPCtestimony
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Sincerely,
Alfred Wolf
Kihei, HI 96753

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From: sierramgreiner@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sierra Crabtree
<sierramgreiner@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:43 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Sierra Crabtree
Wahiawa, HI 96786

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From: vlerner2011@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Viviane Lerner <vlerner2011@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:48 PM
To: CPCtestimony
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Sincerely,
Viviane Lerner
Kealia, HI 96749

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From: jawiehl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Janine Wiehl
<jawiehl@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:50 PM
To: CPCtestimony
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This is 2020 for crying out loud!

The world should be in a better place and USA should be leading in example. Instead we have disgraced our forefathers. Shame if you try to turn back to the dark ages.

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Sincerely,
Janine Wiehl
Mililani, HI 96789

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From: mcneiljessicahw@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jessica McNeil
<mcneiljessicahw@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 9:00 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Jessica McNeil
Kapolei, HI 96707

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: amytruong@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amy Truong
<amytruong@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 11:04 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Amy Truong
Honolulu, HI 96813

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: alani.bagcal@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alani Bagcal
<alani.bagcal@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 11:06 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Categories: Blue category

Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

My name is Alani and I have been privileged to receive reproductive and sexual health care since the age of 16. Now at 24-years-old, I can confidently say that I would not be where I am today, or as successful, without affordable access to this care. Having access to contraception and well women exams through Planned Parenthood has empowered my life because I know that I can choose when to have a child, as well as receive PAP testing and breast exams to ensure my health is in good condition.

Please consider this bill as a gateway of opportunity for people of all backgrounds to have a chance to succeed and have the freedom to choose the health care that they need and deserve. Not everyone has the privilege to access reproductive health care, but everyone needs it. Health care IS a human right, not a privilege.

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Sincerely,
Alani Bagcal
Honolulu, HI 96816

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: kailuke@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Fred Luke
<kailuke@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 11:10 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
Fred Luke
Honolulu, HI 96821

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: rss11j@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ryan Santana
<rss11j@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 11:23 PM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Categories: Blue category

Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

Everybody deserves affordable and equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care, regardless of gender, gender identity, citizenship status, or income. HB 2676 could make this a reality.

This administration is not only attacking access to reproductive and sexual health care, but also directly attacking immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ people, and women. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people and this administration is WELL AWARE of this reality. The cruelty is the point. I urge you to take action and sit on the right side of history. The people of Hawaii need you.

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Sincerely,
Ryan Santana
Honolulu, HI 96815

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: amblades@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of April Blades
<amblades@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 6:24 AM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care
Categories: Blue category

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I support HB 2676. Show the people of Hawaii and the nation that you support equity in health care. Please support HB 2676 and pass it out of committee. Mahalo

Without action, the people of Hawaii could lose access to care and be subject to the onerous restrictions that the Trump Administration has attempted to burden Americans with. I urge you to support HB 2676 and pass it out of committee.

Sincerely,
April Blades
Honolulu, HI 96814

ichiyama1 - Kaishu

From: lksaloha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of laurie saarinen
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Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 6:28 AM
To: CPCtestimony
Subject: I support equity in health care

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Sincerely,
laurie saarinen
Hilo, HI 96720

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From: redahi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of B.A.McClintock
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Sincerely,
B.A. McClintock
Honolulu, HI 96814

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From: chelsealberry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Chelsea Ahern
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Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 8:25 AM
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Sincerely,
Chelsea Ahern
Kailua Kona, HI 96740

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Dear Consumer Protection and Commerce Members,

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As a concerned citizen and public health professional, I support HB2676. This bill comes at a critical juncture, when the rights of immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ people, and women are all under attack. Restrictions on reproductive health care have been shown to cause harmful effects on public health, particularly for those who already face significant barriers to receiving care, such as low-income women, women of color, immigrant women, young women, survivors of domestic violence, and transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

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Sincerely,
Thaddeus Pham
Honolulu, HI 96822

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Women's Rights Are Human Rights
"Pro-Life" = #RightToSlavery

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Sincerely,
Joseph Kohn MD
Wailuku, HI 96793

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Sincerely,
Ursula Eisenpress
Kaneohe, HI 96744

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 2:26:02 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Doris Segal Matsunaga	Save Medicaid Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

Statement Before The
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCEThursday, February 13, 2020
2:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 329in consideration of
HB 2676, HD1
RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

Chair TAKUMI, Vice Chair ICHIYAMA, and Members of the House Consumer Protection & Commerce Committee

Common Cause Hawaii provides comments in support of HB 2676, HD1, which (1) requires health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for a comprehensive category of reproductive health services, drugs, devices, products, and procedures and (2) prohibits discrimination in the provision of reproductive health services.

Common Cause Hawaii is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, grassroots organization dedicated to strengthening democracy.

Common Cause Hawaii understands that when the people of Hawaii have access, without discrimination, to the full range of sexual and reproductive health care services, benefits, and protections, their health and, in turn, economic security will flourish. This will mean security and stability for their families, communities, and our state as a whole. Expanding access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care for residents of Hawaii will ensure a healthy, vibrant democracy.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of HB 2676, HD1. If you have further questions of me, please contact me at sma@commoncause.org.

Very respectfully yours,

Sandy Ma
Executive Director, Common Cause Hawaii

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 2:19:00 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lauren Ing	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2676-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/12/2020 2:49:31 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/13/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
LeighAnn Frattarelli, MD, MPH	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Representative Takumi and Vice Chair Representative Ichiyama,

I am a gynecologist in practice in Hawaii since 2000. I strong support HB 2676 for mandated comprehensive reproductive health care.

Hawaii has long been a leader in providing comprehensive reproductive health care to it's citizens. Under President Obama and the Affordable Health Care Act, the entire country, had easier acces to services like co-pay free contraception, sexually transmitted infection screening and abortion. Unfortunately, Donald Trump has systematically dismantled the Affordable Health Care Act and will continue to try to restrict access to these important services. Hawaii must protect their citizens from those that do not see the value in women's choices regarding their bodies and instead want to impose their own values upon us.

Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony.

Sincerely,

LeighAnn Frattarellis, MD, MPH



Hawaii Association of Health Plans

February 12, 2020

House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
The Honorable Roy M. Takumi, Chair
The Honorable Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair



House Bill 2676, HD1 – Relating to Health Care

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Association of Health Plans (HAHP) appreciates the opportunity to testify on HB 2676, HD1.

HAHP appreciates the intent of this bill, to provide the residents of Hawaii with a full spectrum of reproductive health care services. However, we have serious concerns that this measure expands coverage beyond what has already been established by the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Not only does this measure expand the list of covered services, it also requires that these services be covered with no cost-share. Other than preventive and screening services, plans have traditionally and consistently assessed cost-shares on all other medical conditions. As this would be a new mandated benefit, it is subject to an impact assessment report by the Auditor pursuant to Sections 23-51 and 23-52 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Thank you for allowing us to respectfully express our opposition to HB 2676, HD1.

Sincerely,

HAHP Public Policy Committee

cc: HAHP Board Members