
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT.

1 WHEREAS, H.B. No. 2224, introduced during the regular
2 session of 2008, proposes to require employers to extend health
3 insurance coverage to employees who are less than half-time,
4 provided that the employer may require the employee to bear the
5 full cost of the employee's coverage; and
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7 WHEREAS, this measure is intended to apply to employer
8 group health plans under the insurance code and their
9 counterpart products as offered by mutual benefit societies and
10 health maintenance organizations; and
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12 WHEREAS, this measure is not intended to conflict with the
13 prepaid health care law which presently requires employers to
14 provide health care coverage of each employee who is employed at
15 least half-time and to contribute at least one-half of the
16 premium for each employee who is employed at least half-time;
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19 WHEREAS, the mandated coverage imposed on employers under
20 this measure may create social and financial impacts that must
21 be assessed before the measure can be considered; now,
22 therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
26 Session of 2008, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is
27 requested to conduct an impact assessment report of the proposed
28 mandate under H.B. No. 2224 relating to health coverage for less
29 than half-time employees; and
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is further
32 requested to submit findings and recommendations to the
33 Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of
34 the Regular Session of 2009; and



