

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1290

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 15 2011

RE: S.C.R. No. 10  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 10, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO  
CONDUCT AN IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT ON LEGISLATION MANDATING  
COVERAGE OF PALLIATIVE CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the  
Auditor to conduct an impact assessment report on legislation  
mandating health insurance coverage for palliative care.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure  
from Ann Frost, President, Hawaii Chapter, American Physical  
Therapy Association.

Your Committee finds that palliative care is specialized  
medical care that focuses on the relief or management of pain,  
stress, and other debilitating symptoms of serious or chronic  
disease. Mandatory insurance coverage for palliative care would  
eliminate financial barriers to these treatments and encourage the  
inclusion of palliative care in mainstream health care practices.

This measure requests the Auditor to assess the social and  
financial effects of requiring health insurance coverage for  
palliative care as proposed under S.B. No. 941 (2011), pursuant to  
the procedural requirements under sections 23-51 and 23-52, Hawaii  
Revised Statutes, for legislation proposing mandatory health  
insurance coverage.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 10, S.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

*David Y. Ice*  
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DAVID Y. ICE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SCR 10, SDI	HTH/CPN, WAM	4-13-11
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/	
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/	
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		/
ESPERO, Will		/
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/	
KIM, Donna Mercado		/
KAHELE, Gilbert	/	
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	/	
RYAN, Pohai	/	
TOKUDA, Jill N.		/
WAKAI, Glenn	/	
SLOM, Sam		/
<b>TOTAL</b>	9	0
		1
		4
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
<i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>		
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