

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3544

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 23 2012

RE: H.C.R. No. 9  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 9 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR FERTILITY PRESERVATION PROCEDURES FOR PERSONS OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER AND WILL UNDERGO TREATMENT THAT MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT FERTILITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Auditor to assess the social and financial effects of requiring health insurance coverage for fertility preservation procedures for persons of reproductive age who have been diagnosed with cancer and will undergo treatment that may adversely affect fertility.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the American Cancer Society.

Your Committee finds that cancer is often a physical, emotional, and financial challenge for a person fighting the disease. One devastating result of cancer can be losing the ability to bear offspring. Allowing cancer patients the chance to preserve fertility through artificial means could help patients move past the depressive nature of their cancer diagnosis.



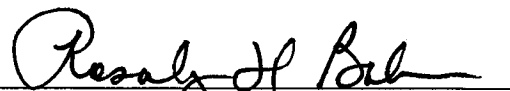
Your Committee further finds that this measure requests the Auditor to assess the social and financial effects of requiring health insurance coverage for fertility preservation procedures for certain persons of reproductive age who have been diagnosed with cancer, as proposed under House Bill No. 2105 (2012), pursuant to the procedural requirements under sections 23-51 and 23-52, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for legislation proposing mandatory health insurance coverage.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting references to House Bill No. 2105, Regular Session of 2012; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 9, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 9, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Commerce and  
Consumer Protection,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HCR 9</b>	Committee Referral: <b>CPN</b>	Date: <b>4/19/12</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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