

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1772  
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1772 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORAL HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Human Services to restore basic adult dental benefits to Medicaid and QUEST integration enrollees.

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Queen's Health Systems, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Ho'ola Lahui Hawaii, Waikiki Health, Hawaii Dental Association, Hawaii Public Health Association, Kokua Kalihi Valley Comprehensive Family Services, Waimanalo Health Center, Hawaiian Hope, Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, DentaQuest, and many individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health and Department of Human Services provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the amount appropriated to restore basic adult dental benefits to Medicaid and Hawaii QUEST integration enrollees to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.



Should the Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee on Human Services respectfully requests that it consider appropriating \$4,800,000 for the purpose of restoring basic adult dental benefits to Medicaid and Hawaii QUEST integration enrollees.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1772, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1772, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services,



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DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



