

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1895

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 Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1895
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand access to
prescription contraceptives by requiring insurers to cover the
contraceptive supplies dispensed in an amount intended to last
for:

- (1) A three-month period for the first dispensing of the
contraceptive supply to the insured; and
- (2) A twelve-month period for subsequent dispensing of the
same contraceptive supply to the insured.

The Department of Health, Hawaii Women's Coalition, and an
individual testified in support of this measure. CVS Health
opposed this measure. The Department of Commerce and Consumer
Affairs, Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund,
Department of Human Services, Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest
and Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Association, Hawaii Section of the
American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Kaiser
Permanente Hawaii, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, Hawaii Medical
Service Association, American Association of University Women-
Hawaii, and American Council of Life Insurers commented on this
measure.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Authorizing a prescribing health care provider to prescribe oral contraceptives for a period up to twelve months from the initial prescription based on the prescriber's discretion;
- (2) Specifying that required insurance coverage includes reimbursement to a prescribing health care provider or dispensing entity for the dispensing of contraceptive supplies intended to last up to a twelve-month period;
- (3) Clarifying that limited benefit health insurers are not subject to contraceptive coverage requirements;
- (4) Providing that the requirements of this measure apply to policies, contracts, and plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2019;
- (5) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1895, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1895, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1895	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC, FIN	Date: 2/10/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
4. JORDAN, Jo		✓		
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	<i>MSR</i>			✓
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	✓			
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.	✓			
TOTAL (9)	6	1		2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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