

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

156

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 248

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 248  
entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require all health  
insurers, including health benefit plans, in the State to disclose  
on their public web sites all standards, criteria, and information  
that they use when making preauthorization decisions related to  
medical treatment or services.

The Lanai Community Health Center, Hawaii Chapter of the  
American Physical Therapy Association, and Hilopaa Family to  
Family Health Information Center supported this measure. The  
Hawaii Association of Health Plans opposed this measure. The  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii Medical  
Service Association, and Hawaii Medical Association provided  
comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the  
effective date to July 1, 2090, to encourage further discussion.

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.  
248, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading

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in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 248, 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,

  
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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



