

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1033

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2023

RE: S.B. No. 1315
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1315, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND MEDICARE PART B PREMIUM REIMBURSEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to discontinue employer reimbursement of Medicare Part B income related monthly adjustment amounts for certain employees hired after June 30, 2023, and their spouses.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund and the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Hawaii Government Employees Association.

Your Committee finds that eliminating the Medicare Part B income related monthly adjustment amounts is consistent with the



non-reimbursement for Medicare Part D premiums and will save the State an estimated \$400,000,000 over the next thirty years.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1315, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1315, S.D. 2.

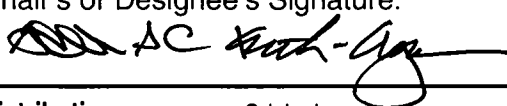
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 1315 SDI	Committee Referral: LBT, WAM	Date: 3/2/23		
<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				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.				X
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt			X	
TOTAL	//		/	/
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes