

Hawaii



Hawaii - HB 2205

Sponsor: Representative Sam Kong (D)

Actions: 01/28/2022 Referred to House Health, Human Services, and Homelessness Committee; Referred to House Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee
01/26/2022 Introduced

Summary: Summary for 1/25/2022 Version

This measure eliminates the certificate of need requirement for all healthcare facilities and services except for nursing homes, hospices, intermediate care facilities for the intellectually disabled, and ambulance service providers.

This measure amends and eliminates the requirement for a certificate of need with building permit issuance by any county or state officer in connection with an existing hospital.

This measure redefines Health Care Facility and health care provider to "include any program, institution, place, building, or agency, or portion thereof, private or public, other than federal facilities or services, whether organized for profit or not, used, operated, or designed to provide medical diagnosis, treatment, nursing, rehabilitative, or preventive care to any person or persons. The terms include but are not limited to health care facilities and health care services commonly referred to as hospitals, facilities that provide inpatient medical care and other related services for surgery or acute medical conditions or injuries (usually for a short-term illness or condition), extended care and rehabilitation centers, nursing homes, skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, hospices for the terminally ill that require licensure or certification by the department of health, kidney disease treatment centers including freestanding hemodialysis units, outpatient clinics, organized ambulatory health care facilities, emergency care facilities and centers, home health agencies, health maintenance organizations, and others providing similarly organized services regardless of nomenclature."

This measure takes effect upon its approval.

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Hawaii - HB 224

Sponsor: Representative Ryan Yamane (D)

Actions: 04/29/2021 Carried over to 2022 Legislative Session
04/15/2021 House refused to concur
04/13/2021 Passed Senate
04/09/2021 Amended; Passed Senate Ways and Means Committee
04/06/2021 Hearing held; Senate Ways and Means Committee Recommends Amending and Reporting
03/25/2021 Amended; Passed Senate Health Committee; Received in Senate Ways and Means

Committee
03/22/2021 Hearing held; Senate Health Committee recommends amending and reporting
03/04/2021 Referred to Senate's Health and Ways and Means Committees
02/24/2021 Passed House Finance Committee; Passed House; Received in Senate
02/23/2021 Hearing held; House Finance Committee Recommends Reporting
02/18/2021 Passed House Consumer Protection Committee; Referred to House Finance
Committee
02/12/2021 Hearing held
02/02/2021 Hearing held; Amended; Passed House Health, Human Services, and Homelessness
Committee
01/27/2021 Referred to House Health, House Consumer Protection, and House Finance
Committee
01/21/2021 Introduced

Summary: Summary for 4/9/2021 Version

This measure exempts hospice, psychiatric, and substance abuse facilities and certain dialysis center services from the certificate of need requirements under state code. This measure authorizes fines for persons who do not comply with an approved certificate of need.

This measure is applicable to certificates of needs.

This measure exempts hospice homes and other hospice facilities, psychiatric facilities substance abuse facilities and dialysis centers located in a hospital with regard to out-patient services from certificate of need requirements.

Any person who violates or fails to act in compliance with an approved certificate of need granted by the state agency may be subject to an administrative penalty not to exceed a non-specified amount for each seven-day period or fraction thereof that the violation continues.

This measure provides that the exemption from the certificate of need process for chronic renal dialysis services applies to those services provided in Oahu regional government hospitals.

This measure requires the Department of Health to alternatively be responsible for SHPDA's duties and responsibilities. This measure also requires SHPDA or the Department of Health to reassess and revise its state plan every five years.

If enacted, this measure will take effect on July 1, 2060

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[3/25/2021 Version](#)
[2/2/2021 Version](#)
[1/21/2021 Version](#)



Hawaii - SB 218

Sponsor: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz (D)

Actions: 04/29/2021 Carried over to 2022 Legislative Session
01/29/2021 Referred to Senate's Health, Consumer Protection and Ways and Means Committee
01/22/2021 Introduced

Summary: Summary for 1/22/2021 Version

This measure amends Hawaii code to prohibit a health care insurer, mutual benefit society, or health maintenance organization from requiring an insured, subscriber, member, or enrollee diagnosed with stage two through stage four cancer to undergo step therapy prior to covering the insured for the drug prescribed by the insured's health care provider.

This measure is applicable to insurers.

This measure provides that no individual policy of accident and health or sickness insurance issued or renewed in the State after December 31, 2021, that provides coverage for the treatment of stage two through stage four cancer will require an insured who is diagnosed with a stage two through stage four cancer to undergo step therapy prior to covering the drug prescribed by the insured's health care provider if the prescribed drug is a prescription drug:

- (1) That is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration;
- (2) Whose use is consistent with best practices for the treatment of the cancer or treatment of side effects of the cancer;
- (3) That is listed in one of the approved compendia;
- (4) That is supported by a published peer-reviewed study as a recognized off-label use for the treatment of the cancer or treatment of side effects of the cancer; or
- (5) That is listed on the insurer's prescription drug formulary.

This measure does not specify rule promulgation authority or enforcement mechanisms.

If enacted, this measure will take effect on July 1, 2021.

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