

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 10, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2107
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2107 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A HAWAII CAREGIVER GRANT PROGRAM,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help family caregivers offset the costs of caring for a mentally or physically impaired relative by:

- (1) Establishing and appropriating funds for a Caregiver Grant Program and Special Fund (Fund) administered by the Executive Office on Aging;
- (2) Creating methods and criteria to qualify for grants from the Fund; and
- (3) Providing support for the administration of the Fund.

A concerned individual supported this measure. The Executive Office on Aging and Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance offered comments.



Your Committees have amended this bill by:

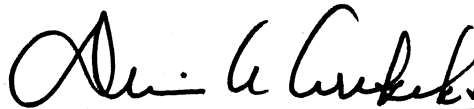
- (1) Changing the appropriation to \$1 to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and to correct drafting style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Human Services that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2107, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2107, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and Human
Services,



ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair



