

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2126
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2126, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve emergency services to the Leeward area of Oahu by appropriating funds for a 16-hour-a-day, 7-days-a-week advanced life support ambulance unit for the Lower Mililani, Waipio Gentry, Waikele, Crestview, East Waipahu, Waiawa, and Pearl City industrial areas.

The Emergency Services Department of the City and County of Honolulu, Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25, Mililani Town Anti-Drug Committee, and concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Health did not support this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing:

- (1) The general fund appropriation to the Emergency Medical Services Special Fund from \$1,300,000, to \$1; and
- (2) The effective date from July 1, 2006, to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion.



Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were made for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2126, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2126, H.D. 2.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



