

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 11, 2006

RE: H.R. No. 56

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 Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.R. No. 56 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ENSURE THAT THE CURRENT RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM MODEL IS NOT DISMANTLED WITH THE PROPOSED QUEST EXPANDED ACCESS PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Department of Human Services (DHS) to ensure that the current Residential Alternative Community Care Program model is not dismantled in the transition to QUEST Expanded Access.

The Adult Foster Home Association of Hawaii, Case Management Council, Case Management, Inc., Catholic Charities Hawaii, and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this resolution. DHS did not support this measure.

Your Committee has amended this resolution by:

- (1) Changing its title to read: "URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ADULT FOSTER HOME ASSOCIATION, AND CASE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL TO WORK TOGETHER TO CLEARLY DEFINE AND RECOMMEND THE THREE DISTINCT COMPONENTS OF THE RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVES COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES SERVICE ARRAY AND THEIR MODE OF SERVICE DELIVERY,

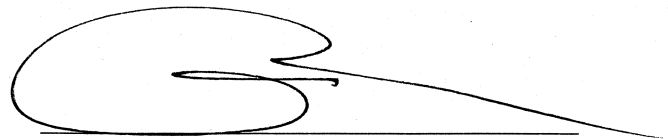


FOR INCLUSION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES QUEST EXPANDED ACCESS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL";

- (2) Providing background on the proposed QUEST Expanded Access and Community Care Foster Family Homes;
- (3) Specifying that DHS is urged to work together with the Adult Foster Home Association, Case Management Council, and other stakeholders to recommend three distinct components of the Residential Alternatives Community Care Foster Family Homes Service Array and mode of service delivery for inclusion in the QUEST Expanded Access request for proposal; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 56, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 56, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,



ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



