

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2347
S.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 Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2347, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assure the healthy and safe development of children by providing healthy start programs to families at risk through home visiting services. This bill appropriates \$1,000,000 from the Early Intervention Special Fund to comply with the federal mandate for early intervention services under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act.

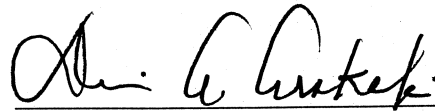
The Department of Health (DOH), Department of Human Services, Hawaii Early Intervention Coordination Council, and Parents and Children Together supported this bill.

According to DOH, this funding request is due to the expansion of services to cover all cover all eligible children, including those at developmental and environmental risk for developmental delay and diagnosed with developmental delay.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2347, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

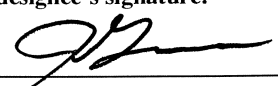
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2347 SD1		Date: 03/16/06		
Committee Referral: HLT, FIN		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ARAKAKI, Dennis A. (C)				✓
2. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (VC)	✓			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
4. HALE, Heléne H.	✓			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
6. SONSON, Alex M.		✓		
7. HALFORD, Chris	✓			
TOTAL	7	1	0	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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