

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 15, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3253
S.D. 1
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 Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 3253, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAREGIVING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

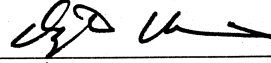
The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to establish a joint legislative committee on family caregiving. This committee will be responsible for the development of comprehensive public policy to strengthen support for family caregivers who provide unpaid, informal assistance to persons age 60 and older with physical or cognitive disabilities.

AARP Hawaii and National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Hawaii Division, supported this bill. The Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs supported this measure with amendments. The Department of Human Services and Executive Office on Aging supported the intent of this measure.

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 S.B. No. 3253, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



