

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2043  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 2

Honorable Robert Bunda  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2043, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand eligibility for medical assistance programs for medically needy residents who do not meet current income limitations.

Specifically, this measure directs the Department of Human Services to disregard an amount of income equal to the difference between one hundred thirty-three per cent of the assistance allowance and one hundred per cent of the federal poverty level, as adjusted annually by the federal government, for a family of the size applying for assistance. The measure also appropriates an unspecified amount for state Medicaid programs.

Upon further consideration, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the unspecified appropriated amount to \$1; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050 for the purpose of stimulating further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your



Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.  
No. 2043, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that  
it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B.  
No. 2043, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,




BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the  
Committee on Ways and Means  
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 2043 HD2 SD1	HMS, WAM	4/3/06		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is to:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)		
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANNO, Brian	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
SAKAMOTO, Norman	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TRIMBLE, Gordon				/
TOTAL	14	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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