

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb. 16, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3199
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 3199 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSISTANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the general assistance payments for adults who are temporarily unable to work.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the measure from the Department of Human Services and one individual.

The Benefit, Employment, and Support Services Division of the Department of Human Services provides a monthly benefit to disabled adults without minor children who are temporarily unable to work due to the disability, or pending a social security eligibility determination. Your Committee finds that, without an appropriation, the Division will have to reduce the \$418 monthly general assistance payments.

Your Committee has amended this measure to reflect the amount of the current monthly general assistance benefit.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3199, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second

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Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3199, S.D. 1, and
be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

Suzanne Chun Oakland

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



