

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 13, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1370

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1370
entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an emergency
appropriation for fiscal year 2006-2007 of \$8,377,698 from general
funds to the Department of Health for ongoing services provided by
the department's adult mental health division.

Your Committee finds that this emergency appropriation is
necessary to continue existing services during a period in which
increasing numbers of people require access to adult mental health
services. This increase is due in large part to the settlement
agreement in *United States v. State of Hawaii, et al.*, under which
processes and services were put into place that allow consumers in
Hawaii to more effectively access services.

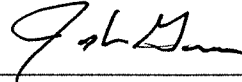
The Department of Health, Hawaii Psychiatric Medical
Association, and the National Alliance on Mental Illness - O'ahu
submitted testimony in support of this measure.

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 H.B. No.
1370 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to
the Committee on Finance.

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



JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



