

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 984

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 473
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 473, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assist individuals in achieving self-sufficiency by appropriating funds to the Bridge To Hope Program (Program) to accommodate new Temporary Assistance for Needy Families First-to-Work students to enable them to pursue educational activities beyond the new two-year federal limit.

The University of Hawaii, Bridge To Hope Program, Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, National Association of Social Workers Hawaii Chapter, and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Program is created for heads of households receiving financial assistance and participating in the first-to-work programs;
- (2) Specifying that to receive assistance under the Program, the parent must be enrolled as a student each term in an



approved course of study, not limited to vocational education; and

- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion.

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 H.B. No. 473, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 473, H.D. 2.

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



MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

HSCR 984

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 473 HD1	Date: 2/26/07			
Committee Referral: HSH, FIN	<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Hold </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration </div> </div>				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			
5. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
6. CHONG, Pono	✓			
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.	.			✓
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
9. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
10. MANAHAN, Joey	✓			
11. MIZUNO, John	✓			
12. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			
13. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
14. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
15. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
16. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose	.			✓
18. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	.			✓
TOTAL	15	0	0	3
The recommendation is: <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)</p> <div style="margin-left: 40px; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.5em;">Mary B. Lee</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – HMSO Duplicate (Pink) – Clerk's Office				