

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 427  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 427, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the state supplemental payments for certain domiciliary care and require a portion of the payment to be retained by the recipient for personal use.

The Department of Human Services, Mental Health America of Hawaii, and one individual submitted testimony in support of this measure. The National Association of Social Workers and fourteen individuals submitted testimony in support of the intent of this measure. The Hawaii Coalition of Care Home Administrators submitted testimony in opposition to this measure.

This measure will ensure a personal needs allowance for individuals living in nursing facilities and individuals living in domiciliary care, type I and type II, and community care foster family homes. The measure will also raise the personal needs allowance from \$30 to \$50 per month per person. Your Committee finds that this measure will substantially improve the quality of life for adult residential care home residents and ensure that a fair portion of the state supplemental payments are allocated for their unique personal needs. Some of the testifiers suggested that there be a cost of living allowance inflation rate. Your



Committee defers to the Committee on Ways and Means to consider this issue.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 427, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.


Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services and  
Public Housing,

*Suzanne Chun Oakland*  
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate  
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**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Human Services and Public Housing**  
**HSP**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 427, SDI</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HSP, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2-15-07</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
SAKAMOTO, Norman				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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