

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 706

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 16, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 208

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services & Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 208 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is appropriate funds to the Department of Health to make additional payments to the providers of developmental disabilities domiciliary homes and apartment complexes so that these providers may continue to provide residential services to persons with developmental disabilities.

Your Committees received testimony in support of the measure from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, the Disability and Communication Access Board, the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living, and The Arc in Hawaii. Testimony offering comments on the measure was received from the Department of Health.

Your Committees find that funds previously appropriated to the Department of Health to make additional payments to providers of developmental disabilities domiciliary homes and apartment complexes have not been sufficient to enable those providers to continue their operations. Unless additional funds are appropriated, operational deficits may well force the closure of these developmental disabilities domiciliary homes and apartment complexes.



706

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Human Services & Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 208 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Health and Human  
Services & Housing,



MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair



JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair





