

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 25, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2520
H.D. 3
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2520, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAREGIVERS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to support family caregivers by establishing a working group to explore various funding mechanisms that could potentially support family caregivers.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1) Focusing the mission of the working group on exploring ways to provide wage replacement benefits to a caregiver needing to take time off from work to care for a family member with a serious health condition;



- (2) Directing the working group to review and analyze various sources of data, including previous findings of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving, caregiver needs assessment, the contents of H.B. No. 2520, H.D. 3, and approaches taken by other states;
- (3) Directing the working group to consider drafting enabling legislation for the Regular Session of 2009 regarding wage replacement programs;
- (4) Directing the working group to inventory the eldercare policies and practices that currently exist in the workplace and the extent to which they exist;
- (5) Adding members to the working group from the Hawaii Teamsters and Allied Workers, Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, Kokua Council, and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2520, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2520, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

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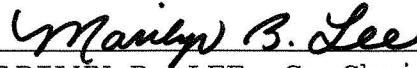
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Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne, Chr.	✓				GREEN, Josh, M.D., Co-Chr.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T., Co-Chr.	✓				SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L., Co-Chr.	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H., Co-Chr.				✓	SONSON, Alex M., Co-Chr.				✓
IHARA, Les, Jr.	✓				HERKES, Robert N., Co-Chr.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓				LEE, Marilyn B., Co-Chr.	✓			
					WARD, Gene, Ph.D.				✓
TOTAL	4	0	0	1	TOTAL	4	0	0	2

A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:
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