

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 14, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2757

H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2757  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOSPITALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure the strength of  
Hawaii's health care safety net by:

- (1) Establishing a hospital capital loan program under the  
Department of Health (DOH); and
- (2) Requiring a loan be provided to Hawaii Medical Center,  
LLC.

The Hawaii Medical Center and several concerned individuals  
supported this bill. DOH opposed this measure. The Department of  
Budget and Finance submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Specifying that DOH will provide the first loan to a  
private hospital in the state that annually services a  
patient population of 60 percent or more of uninsured,  
Medicaid, and Medicare patients; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity,  
consistency, and style.



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. 2757, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2757, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

Josh Green M.D.  
JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 2757	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HLT, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 2-4-08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (C)	✓			
2. MIZUNO, John (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
5. BERTRAM, Joe, III				✓
6. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
7. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
10. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <i>John M. Leppan</i>				
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