

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 19, 2008

RE: H.C.R. No. 21
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 Committees on Human Services & Housing and Health, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 21 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A STANDARDIZED, UNIFORM, INDUSTRY-FRIENDLY POLICY TO PROTECT THE ELDERLY WITHOUT COMPROMISING RESIDENT CARE, AND THAT ENCOURAGES MORE PEOPLE TO BECOME ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME OR ADULT FOSTER HOME OPERATORS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to urge the Department of Health (DOH) and Department of Human Services (DHS) to work together to develop a standardized, uniform, industry-friendly policy to protect the elderly without compromising resident care, and that encourages more people to become operators of adult residential care homes or adult foster homes.

DOH, the National Federation of Filipino American Associations Region XII, Filipino American Citizens League, Filipino Coalition for Solidarity, Nursing Advocates & Mentors, Inc., Oahu Filipino Community Council, Philippine Nurses Association-Hawaii, United Filipino Council of Hawaii, Congress of Visayan Organizations, Hawaii Coalition of Caregivers, United Group of Home Operators, Alliance of Residential Care Administrators, The Primary Care Providers, and many concerned individuals testified in support of this concurrent resolution. DHS supported the intent of this measure.

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Your Committees have amended this concurrent resolution by:

- (1) Changing its title to read: "URGING THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A STANDARDIZED, WORKABLE POLICY TO PROTECT THE ELDERLY WITHOUT COMPROMISING RESIDENT CARE, AND THAT ENCOURAGES MORE PEOPLE TO BECOME ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME OR COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOME OPERATORS";
- (2) Changing its scope by replacing adult foster homes with community care foster family homes; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services & Housing and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 21, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 21, H.D. 1.

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

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