

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1238

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1203

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 1203 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to test the feasibility of allowing recipients of Medicaid personal care services or home- and community-based services to:

- (1) Receive a flexible monthly allowance; and
- (2) Decide on the services they want to receive and who should provide these services,

by directing the Department of Human Services (DHS) to establish a "cash and counseling" pilot program. This bill also appropriates funds to develop and implement this program.

DHS supported the intent of this bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1203 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair



