Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 01 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1253

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1253 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION CONTRACTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide quality health care in the State's community hospital system by enabling the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to operate efficiently and autonomously.

Specifically, this measure exempts the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation from the State's Procurement Code (chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes). However, the measure encourages the Corporation to use the code where possible, provided that if the Corporation does use a provision of the code, the Corporation does not waive its exemption from any other provision of the code.

Your Committee received several comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation. The State Procurement Office of the Department of Accounting and General Services submitted comments.

Your Committee believes that exemption from the Procurement Code will enable the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to operate more efficiently and autonomously as envisioned by the Legislature. As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1253 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chai

## The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

SB 1253 Committee Referral: Date: SB 1253 HTH/TSG, WAM 2/26/07				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)				
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
HOOSER, Gary L.				
KIM, Donna Mercado				
MENOR, Ron				
TOKUDA, Jill N.				
HEMMINGS, Fred				
WHALEN, Paul			Harrigaliyan yana	
TOTAL	10	0	0	
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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