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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Friday, January 11, 2008

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

The purpose of this informational briefing is to review the findings of the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, in accordance with SCR 198 (2007); to examine the problem of patients in acute care hospitals waitlisted for long term care and to review the proposed solutions.

In Hawaii, many patients in acute care hospitals cannot be transferred to skilled nursing facilities, because space is not available for them. Moreover, some hospitals are forced to incur the expenses of transferring long term care patients to the mainland, including travel expenses, nurse care costs, and any additional fees to assist the patient's family members with making the necessary guardianship arrangements for the transfer.

The following organizations and Department Directors have also been invited to participate in this briefing:

State Department of Health, Director Chiyome Fukino, M.D. or her designee

State Department of Human Services Director Lillian Koller or her designee

Healthcare Association of Hawaii

Hawaii Medical Service Association

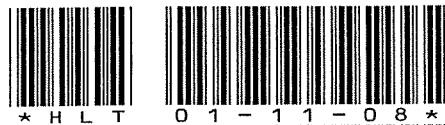
Hawaii Medical Association

Queens Medical Center

Other related healthcare providers

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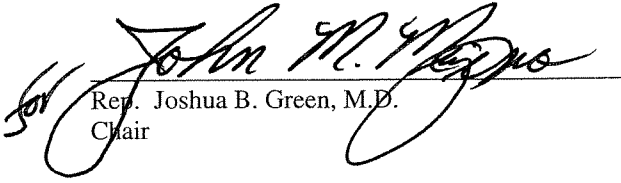
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