



**TESTIMONY OF THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2008**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 2196, H.D. 1, RELATING TO CAREGIVING.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 **TIME:** 2:00 PM

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 423
Deliver to: Committee Clerk, Room 322, 25 copies

TESTIFIER(S): Mark J. Bennett, Attorney General
or Andrea J. Armitage, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Magaoay and Members of the Committee:

The section of this bill giving responsibility for a cash and counseling program to the Joint Legislative Committee on Aging in Place violates the separation of powers doctrine and is therefore unconstitutional.

Section 4 of the bill requires the Joint Legislative Committee on Aging in Place to conduct a cash and counseling project. It allows the joint committee to contract with a consultant to design a cash and counseling program. Section 5 of the bill appropriates moneys from the general fund to the joint committee to fund the cash and counseling project pursuant to section 4. These provisions are unconstitutional in that they violate the doctrine of separation of powers.

The legislative and executive branches have distinct roles in the budget and appropriation process. Under the State Constitution, the authority to appropriate moneys for the working of state government rests with the Legislature. Once the appropriations bill has been enacted and the fiscal year begins, the legislative work is completed and it then becomes the responsibility of the executive branch to implement the budget. An instructive case is *Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO v. Florio*, 130 N.J. 439, 617 A.2d 223 (1992). In that case, the Supreme Court of New Jersey

held: "Although the Legislature may appropriate and dictate, if it desires, the services and positions designated for such appropriation, there is one thing the Legislature cannot do. It cannot exercise the functions of the executive. It cannot administer the money after it has been once appropriated." *Id.* at 462, 617 A.2d at 235 (internal quotation marks, brackets, and citations omitted). While the power to appropriate moneys is a legislative function, the power to expend and manage those appropriations is an executive function.

Therefore, appropriating funds to the joint committee so that it may create a cash and counseling project would violate the separation of powers doctrine. Responsibility for implementing a cash and counseling project is more properly within the realm of the executive branch. The project should be placed within an appropriate agency in that branch, with the appropriated funds to be expended by that agency.

If, however, the intent is not to have the joint committee conduct the program, but just design it, then that would not be a violation of the separation of powers. If this is the case, we recommend the following changes to section 4 and section 5:

SECTION 4. The joint legislative committee on aging in place shall [~~conduct~~] design a cash and counseling project for nonmedicaid participants to direct and manage their personal assistance services according to their own specific needs, while enabling family caregivers to receive a level of financial recognition and support. In [~~conducting~~] designing a cash and counseling project, the joint legislative committee on aging in place may consider including a respite care component, a case management component, a separate fiscal agent, a personal care component, and allowing the consumer to be the employer of any service provider, whether an agency or family member.

The joint legislative committee on aging in place may contract with a qualified consultant to design a cash and counseling program.

A contract executed pursuant to this section and section 5 of this Act shall be exempt from chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes; provided that the joint legislative committee on aging in place shall endeavor to ensure transparency in the letting of the contract.

The project shall include an advisory group to assist with the design of the cash and counseling program. In order to ensure that those who have the greatest need and the fewest resources are able to utilize such a program, the advisory group shall examine whether an asset limitation or restriction on consumers shall be implemented in the design of a cash and counseling program.

The joint legislative committee on aging in place shall report on the results of ~~[the]~~ its efforts to design a cash and counseling project as part of its report to the legislature pursuant to section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ _____ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the joint legislative committee on aging in place, which may contract with a qualified consultant, to ~~[conduct]~~ design a cash and counseling project, pursuant to section 4 of this Act. The sum appropriated shall be allocated as follows:

Senate	\$
House of representatives	\$

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the senate and house of representatives to assist the joint legislative committee on aging in place for the purposes of this part.

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HB 2196, RELATING TO CAREGIVING

**Testimony of Noemi Pendleton
Director of Executive Office on Aging
Attached Agency to Department of Health**

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

2:00 p.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA) supports the intent of HB 2196
2 as long as it does not adversely affect the Executive supplemental budget priorities.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** There is an unspecified amount of general funds to be appropriated to the
4 Senate and House of Representatives to contract with a qualified consultant to conduct a cash and
5 counseling project and to EOA to expand the KUPUNA CARE program for State Fiscal Year
6 2008- 2009.

7 **Purpose and Justification:** HB 2196 extends the Joint Legislative Committee on Family
8 Caregiving; changes the committee's name to the Joint Legislative Committee on Aging in Place;
9 expands the committee's mandate to include aging in place issues related to family caregiving;
10 requires the Aging and Disability Resource Center to report to the committee; requires the Joint
11 Legislative Committee to conduct a Cash and Counseling project; appropriates funds to the Joint
12 Legislative Committee; allows KUPUNA CARE to include overnight, weekend, and emergency
13 respite, as well as provide grants to caregivers and for home modification; appropriates funds to
14 the KUPUNA CARE program.

1 EOA appreciates this proposal. Through Act 204, SLH 2007, EOA had contracted with
2 the University of Hawaii to coordinate family caregiver support services and policies statewide.
3 We are pleased to have worked in partnership with the University, the Joint Legislative
4 Committee, and community stakeholders to have contributed to the research that was cited in this
5 bill. Additionally, we will continue to work together to strengthen and expand KUPUNA CARE
6 services to meet the needs of Hawaii's older adults and their family caregivers. It should be noted
7 that Act 204, SLH 2007, already appropriated an additional \$525,000 to EOA for Kupuna Care
8 services in fiscal year 2008-2009.

9 EOA respectfully requests that on page 10, lines 11 and 12, be deleted as this practice
10 referred to as cost share started in 1999 but was eliminated in 2005. Also, we request that page
11 13, lines 15 and 16 be deleted as the Older Americans Act states that the state units on aging are
12 the lead in designing statewide programs.

13 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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February 5, 2008

The Honorable Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
House Committee on Legislative Management
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Representative Magaoay and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: HB 2196 HD1 – RELATING TO CAREGIVING

The position and views expressed in this testimony do not represent nor reflect the position and views of the Department of Health (DOH).

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **SUPPORTS HB 2196 HD1**. The purpose of the bill is to: 1) extend the work of the joint legislative committee on family caregiving for one year and appropriates funds for the committee; 2) change the name of the joint legislative committee to the joint legislative committee on aging in place and expand the committee's mandate and focus to include aging in place issues; 3) require the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) to provide an update on the physical site in Hawaii County and the "virtual" site in Honolulu City and County; 4) require a cash and counseling project to be conducted; and 5) appropriate funds to the Kupuna care program and allows Kupuna care to include overnight, weekend, and emergency respite, and grants to caregivers for home modifications.

The Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving (JLCFC) created by Act 285, SLH 2006, was established to address the needs of family caregivers who provide unpaid, informal assistance to a person 60 and older with physical or cognitive disabilities or a grandparent who is a caregiver for a grandchild 18 or younger or 19 or older with physical or cognitive limitations. Act 204, SLH 2007, allowed JLCFC to continue its work during the 2007 Interim and report to the Legislature. Special Committee Report Number 1 provides the background to JLCFC, a summary of the studies and surveys conducted, including the Family Caregiver Needs Assessment, and the findings and recommendations of the Committee.

The Council believes that family caregiving plays a crucial role in addressing the needs of the increasing elder and disability populations needing long-term care services and supports in the community and supports the efforts of JLCFC to continue to develop a support system for family caregivers that includes: coordinated services and policies,

The Honorable Michael Y. Magaoay
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training and education, respite services, financial incentives, policies on balancing work and caregiving, and a paid family leave program for family caregivers who take time off from work to care for a seriously ill family member.

The Council defers to the Executive Office on Aging on the appropriation necessary for FY 2008-2009 to implement the Kupuna Care Program.

The Council is a member of the Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, JLCFC, and ADRC Advisory Council, and looks forward to continued involvement in efforts to provide support for family caregivers providing care for their family members in need of long-term care and supports in the community.

We appreciate the opportunity to present testimony in support of **HB 2196 HD1**.

Sincerely,



Waynette K.Y. Cabral
Executive Administrator

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From: John Tomoso [John.Tomoso@co.maui.hi.us]
Sent: Sunday, February 03, 2008 10:32 PM
To: LMGtestimony
Subject: Testimony on HB 2196, HD1 Relating to Caregiving

To the Honorable Members of the House Committee on Legislative Management, who have scheduled a hearing on H.B. 2196, "The Family Caregiving Omnibus Bill", on Tuesday, February, 5, 2008 @ 2 p.m. in Room 423.

Aloha kakou,

I am in support of this omnibus bill, and its companion SB 2830, because it includes the decisions of the discussions that the aging network, statewide, has had with the Kupuna Caucus, the Policy and Advisory Board on Senior Affairs of the EOA, and the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving. H.B. 2196 encompasses the "expansions" that we have discussed, including much needed respite services for family caregivers. These services parallel the federally funded Title III and Title III-E, Older American Act Services that are delivered throughout Hawai'i. With these state-funded services, we will be able to serve many more kupuna and their family caregivers, even in remote and geographically isolated areas. Like aging, caregiving is everyone's issue and experience, either directly or indirectly. Please support this bill.

Me ka mahalo pono,
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From: Alan Parker [APARKER001@hawaii.rr.com]
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Subject: Testimony on HB 2196, HD1 Relating to Caregiving

To the House Committee on Legislative Management, who have scheduled a hearing on H.B. 2196, "The Family Caregiving Omnibus Bill," on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 @ 2 p.m. in Room 423.

Honorable Chairs and Members of the Committee:

I humbly ask for your support of HB2196 HD1 as it provides in one package, important elements to improve services to our family caregivers that are a result of much collaboration on the part of many entities that make up the Kupuna Caucus.

Mahalo,

Alan R. Parker
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(Transmitted by email: LMGtestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov on 2/1/08)

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Joint statement of Al Hamai, President, and Carol Nitta, Legislative Committee
Member, Supporting HB 2196, HD1 Relating to Caregiving

Hearing by House Committees on Legislative Management

February 5, 2008, 2 p.m. Conference Room 423

Chair Michael Y. Magaoay and Members of the Committee,

We are submitting testimony on behalf of the Hawaii Alliance for Retired Americans (HARA). HARA represents 17,000 retirees, members of the above organizations and individuals. We are a chapter of the Alliance for Retired Americans (ARA), a national advocacy organization for retirees.

HARA supports HB 2196, HD1 and considers this a high priority bill. The joint legislative committee on family caregiving has performed a great service to the legislature and to our community in identifying and seeking solutions to support the thousands of family caregivers, who daily take care of their loved ones. This bill extends the life of the joint committee and expands its role to include aging in place issues related to family caregiving and also appropriates funds to support family caregivers.

The members of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving (JLCFC) are commended by HARA for working during the interim to achieve its mandates set forth in Act 204, SLH 2007. HARA supports HB 2196, HD1 and urges your Committee to approve it. Mahalo.

Ke hana like nei na` ku`puna i `oi loa a`e `o Hawai`i
Senior citizens working together for a better Hawai`i

Hawaii Aging Advocates Coalition

**Testimony to the House Committee on Legislative Management
Tuesday, February 5, 2008
Conference Room 423; 2:00pm**

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Harry Mattson
Kokua Council

RE: H.B. No. 2196, H.D. 1, RELATING TO CAREGIVING.

Chair Magaoay, Vice Chair Tokioka, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Wes Lum and I am testifying on behalf of the Hawaii Aging Advocates Coalition (HAAC). **HAAC strongly supports this measure.**

This bill reflects many of the recommendations of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving (Committee). In making its recommendations, the Committee examined the research and data provided by the studies conducted during this past legislative interim, and focused on addressing the immediate needs of family caregivers, as well as facilitating the development of a comprehensive, community based family caregiver support system.

We applaud the Committee for its excellent and thorough work, and for submitting a final report that was done well.

HAAC strongly supports this measure and asks for your favorable consideration. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



Laura Manis Testifier

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COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

REP. MICHAEL Y. MAGAOAY, CHAIR
REP. JAMES TOPIOKA, VICE CHAIR

February 5, 2008 2:00pm Room 423

HB 2196 HD 1 RELATING TO CAREGIVING. Extends the joint legislative committee on family caregiving; changes the committee's name to the joint legislative committee on aging in place; expands the committee's mandate to include aging in place issues related to family caregiving; requires the aging and disability resource center to report to the committee; requires the joint legislative committee to conduct a cash and counseling project; appropriates funds to the joint legislative committee; allows kupuna care to include overnight, weekend, and emergency respite, as well as provide grants to caregivers and for home modification; appropriates funds to the kupuna care program

SUPPORT

This testimony is being submitted on behalf Kokua Council whose mission includes advocating for the health of the elderly and those vulnerable populations who can not advocate for themselves.

We are pleased to support this bill for the following reasons. **Changing the name of the task force acknowledges the reality that frailness includes being unable to do chores such as housekeeping, shopping, yard work, all of which enables people to stay at home. This will expand the scope of this very valuable committee and help relieve the pressure on caregivers as well as the burden on long term care facilities.**

The other components of this omnibus bill cover existing gaps in services, such as Kupuna Care for emergencies, overnight and weekend care and help with financing home modification. We also support financing existing programs (Kupuna Care) to shorten wait lists, and to continue and implement the valuable work of the joint committee on caregiving and the one-stop resource center for aging and disability.

We ask that you will support this bill.

Laura G. Manis, Legislative Chair, Kokua Council
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TO : HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT
Rep. Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Rep. James Kunane Tokioka, Vice-Chair

FROM: Eldon L. Wegner, Ph.D.,
PABEA (Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs)

SUBJECT: HB 2196 HD1 Relating to Caregiving

HEARING: 2 pm, Tuesday, February 5, 2008
Conference Room 423, Hawaii State Capitol

PURPOSE: An omnibus bill to support the work and recommendations from the Joint Legislative Task Force on Family Caregiving, including changing the name to "Aging in Place" and broadening the scope to include aging in place issues related to family caregiving; requires the Aging and Disability Resource Center to report to the taskforce; undertakes to design a cash and counseling project; expands Kupuna Care to include overnight, weekend and emergency respite and grants to caregivers for home modification, and appropriates funds to Kupuna Care.

POSITION: PABEA strongly supports the continued work of the Joint Legislative Taskforce and supports its recommendations. We suggest a wording change to address the concern raised by the AG regarding the JLTFC "conducting" a Cash and Counseling program. We suggest clarification that the bill is for the purpose of "designing" a program to be considered in the next session.

RATIONALE:

I am offering testimony on behalf of PABEA, the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, which is an appointed board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA). My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of the Board.

§ PABEA is grateful for the dedicated work of the Joint Taskforce for undertaking to develop a comprehensive set of policies to support family caregiving and aging in place. The growing elder population and the need to support families and minimize reliance on institutions make this a critical area for increased policies and programs for the state;

§ Medicaid waiver cash and counseling programs have shown themselves to be successful in other states, through providing financial assistance along with consumer education to increase consumer direction over care. The recommendation is to create a program which would provide some financial assistance to low income, non-Medicaid caregivers in Hawaii.

We suggest amending HD1 to clarify that the bill intends that the JLTFC contract to design (not to conduct) a Cash and Counseling program, which would be considered in the next session. This change seems likely to

address the concern raised by the Office of the AG that the JLTFC not be conducting programs, which are the responsibility of the Executive Branch. Specifically on p 7, Section 4:

14 SECTION 4. The joint legislative committee on aging in
15 place shall design a cash and counseling project for
16 nonmedicaid participants to direct and manage their personal
17 assistance services according to their own specific needs, while

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18 enabling family caregivers to receive a level of financial
19 recognition and support. In designing a cash and counseling
20 project, the joint legislative committee on aging in place may
21 consider including a respite care component, a case management
22 component, a separate fiscal agent, a personal care component,

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- § The Aging and Disability Resource Center is an exciting restructuring to create a single-access system and to integrate aging and disability services. The development of these centers by our counties needs to be coordinated with the work of the Taskforce;
- § The bill extends Kupuna Care program to provide overnight, weekend, and emergency respite services. An inventory of respite services in the state conducted for the Joint Taskforce showed that this was an urgent need in providing support to family caregivers;
- § The bill the Kupuna Care program to provide grants to caregivers for home modification. In some instances, home modification will enable persons to remain safely in their own homes.
- § Finally, this bill will also appropriate additional funds to the Kupuna Care program in order to address the waitlist for services and to extend services to support caregivers and aging in place.

Thank you for allowing me to testify.

The Twenty-Fourth Legislature
Regular Session of 2008

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Committee on Legislative Management
Rep. Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Rep. James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair

State Capitol, Conference Room 423
Tuesday, February 5, 2008; 2:00 p.m.

**STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON H.B. 2196, HD1
RELATING TO CAREGIVING**

The ILWU Local 142 supports H.B. 2196, HD1, which is an "omnibus" measure related to "aging in place" issues, including family caregiving and Kupuna Care, and extends the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving while changing its name to the committee on "Aging in Place."

As the need to plan for our aged population increases, the importance of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving becomes more and more apparent. The first "baby boomers" will turn 65 in less than five years. Hawaii may not be ready for the large increase of older residents, especially the huge number of those over the age of 80.

The Joint Legislative Committee is attempting to address the needs of Hawaii's aged population, but its work is not finished. Support for family caregivers is needed, not just for respite but for financial assistance in the form of "cash and counseling" programs. Funding for Kupuna Care needs to be increased. The problems of aging and caring for the aged must be addressed.

The ILWU urges passage of H.B. 2196, HD1. However, we also urge that the Legislature consider a source of funding for these programs to assist the aged. A tax earmarked for caregiving programs and Kupuna Care may be what is needed.

Thank you for considering our views on this matter.

February 4, 2008

To: The Honorable Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
The Honorable Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Members of the Committee on Legislative Management

From: Rose Nakamura, Administrator, Project Dana *Rose Nakamura*

Subject: Testimony for HB 2196, HD1 Relating to Caregiving

As Administrator of Project Dana, a volunteer caregivers program assisting the homebound frail elderly, I strongly support HB 2196, HD1 Relating to Caregiving.

Aging in place is of utmost importance to Hawaii's Kupuna, as we enjoy the greatest longevity in the country.

HB 2196, HD 1 includes appropriating funds to the Kupuna Care program, funding for the establishment of a committee to look at needs of family caregiving, a committee to conduct a cash and counseling project, consider various options for much needed respite overnight, weekend, and emergency respite, and grants to caregivers and for home modifications.

Kupuna Care: This program is so needed to assist homebound frail elders who are coping, often times struggling with personally managing their Activities of Daily Living (ADL's) and/or their Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL's) to live independently in our community. Services which Kupuna Care provides are responses to basic needs that add to the quality of life for frail elders. Many seniors are isolated, and lonely and need some assistance in coping with daily living. These seniors would prefer to live at home and to "age in place", thereby avoid institutionalization.

Caregiving Services/Options: Caregiving is everybody's business and at some point in everyone's life, one will be forced with challenging caregiving responsibilities. Relief assistance and caregiving support are essential to avoid physical and emotional stress to both the caregiver and the frail elder.

Funding for HB 2196, HD 1 from the State of Hawaii is imminent as Hawaii's older adult population has increased and will increase rather steadily. A larger percentage of Hawaii's population is comprised of those 60 years and older and funding to support these needs are very worthy of your strong consideration. Hawaii's elders need your sensitive support. Thank you very much.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

FROM: 
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 (2:00 p.m., Room 423)

RE: **Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving**

Catholic Charities Hawaii (CCH), is a tax exempt, non-profit agency that has been providing social services in Hawaii for over 60 years. The Agency has also been providing supportive home and community based services to elders since 1973 and currently serves approximately 5,000 older persons each year. **We strongly support HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving.**

Catholic Charities Hawaii has provided transportation and housekeeping services, both State-funded Kupuna Care Services, for a number of years. In addition, we have been partners with other aging network providers who also provide essential State-funded Kupuna Care Services such as home-delivered meals, case management, bathing service and more.

State-funded Kupuna Care currently funds a set of basic, essential services that help frail elders remain independent and avoid institutionalization or homelessness. In addition, these services support family caregivers who are providing support to frail elderly relatives who still want to maintain their independence but require supportive services, from family and the community, in order to do so.

Some of the challenges that Catholic Charities Hawaii faces in providing State-funded Kupuna Care Services include:

- **Flat or reduced Federal funding** for elderly services.
- **Continued wait list for Housekeeping Services** which means elders who may be at risk of eviction must wait for several months in order to receive services.
- **Increased gas expense** which hampers our ability to provide transportation that enables seniors to access needed services. This particularly impacts our ability to serve rural elders who need to get to medical and other appointments in town.

The Consequences of Not Providing More Funding for State Kupuna Care Services

- **Wait lists will grow.** The longer that elders must wait for service, the greater the risk that their will **lose their ability to live independently in a safe, dignified environment.**
- ~~The alternative is institutionalization~~ at a cost of approximately \$7,000 a month per person. For example:

Additional funding of \$750,000 for State Kupuna Care would provide additional services for hundreds of seniors in the community. This same amount could only support about nine (9) elders in nursing homes for a year. The cost of institutional care eventually becomes a burden on taxpayers and government since State-funded Kupuna Care program targets those in greatest need.

Catholic Charities Hawaii asks for your support of HB 2196, HD1, Relating to Caregiving. If I can provide any further information, please feel free to contact me via phone at 808-595-5901 or via email at diane.terada@catholiccharitieshawaii.org.
Thank you.

TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 (2:00 p.m., Room 423)

RE: Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving

I am 75 years old and receive **HOUSEKEEPING** services from Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through the State Kupuna Care Program.

Please help Hawaii's growing population of Kupuna by providing **ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, SUCH AS:**

- Transportation
- Housekeeping/Chore X
- Home-delivered meals
- Case Management
- Adult day care
- Attendant care
- Bathing services
- Respite services

I need **HELP** with **HOUSEKEEPING** because:

I am unable to walk without a walker - would lose balance without help.

If I did NOT have **HELP WITH HOUSEKEEPING**:

*would not have help to shop for food
would not be able to put clothes in laundry machine
to be clean or do other housekeeping chores*

Please make additional Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Sara Odyer

Address:

*1928 Young St
Hono K 96826*

TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 (2:00 p.m., Room 423)

RE: Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving

I am 86 years old and receive HOUSEKEEPING services from Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through the State Kupuna Care Program.

Please help Hawaii's growing population of Kupuna by providing ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, SUCH AS:

- Transportation
- Housekeeping/Chore
- Home-delivered meals
- Case Management
- Adult day care
- Attendant care
- Bathing services
- Respite services

I need HELP with HOUSEKEEPING because:

CANNOT DO BECAUSE BAD KNEES MEDICAL CONDITIONS
WIFE IN CARE HOME.

If I did NOT have HELP WITH HOUSEKEEPING:

NOBODY TO HELP NO CHILDREN ON ISLAND.

Please make additional Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

JAMES Arakaki

Address:

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TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 (2:00 p.m., Room 423)

RE: Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving

I am 83 years old and receive HOUSEKEEPING services from Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through the State Kupuna Care Program.

Please help Hawaii's growing population of Kupuna by providing ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, SUCH AS:

- Transportation
- ✓ • Housekeeping/Chore
- Home-delivered meals
- Case Management
- Adult day care
- Attendant care
- Bathing services
- Respite services

I need HELP with HOUSEKEEPING because: *of a weakened health condition due to lung disease.*

If I did NOT have HELP WITH HOUSEKEEPING: *I would lose my independence without extra help. Thank you*

Please make additional Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Jarvet Bishop

Address:

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TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

DATE: Tuesday, February 5, 2008 (2:00 p.m., Room 423)

RE: Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving

I am 83 years old and receive HOUSEKEEPING services from Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through the State Kupuna Care Program.

Please help Hawaii's growing population of Kupuna by providing ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, SUCH AS:

- Transportation
- Housekeeping/Chore ✓
- Home-delivered meals
- Case Management
- Adult day care
- Attendant care
- Bathing services
- Respite services

I need HELP with HOUSEKEEPING because:

*I'm in a wheel chair!
can't walk*

If I did NOT have HELP WITH HOUSEKEEPING:

would be a disaster!!

Please make additional Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely, *Lucille Carducci*

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TO: Representative Michael Y. Magaoay, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Legislative Management

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RE: Support of HB 2196, HD 1, Relating to Caregiving

I am 75 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through the State Kupuna Care Program.

Please help Hawaii's growing population of Kupuna by providing ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, SUCH AS:

- Transportation
- Housekeeping
- Home-delivered meals
- Case Management
- Adult day care
- Attendant care
- Bathing services
- Respite services

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

im not able to get around

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION:

*i wont be able to go to the doctors
& grocery shopping.*

Please make additional Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: Sarah Shim [Sarah.Shim@co.maui.hi.us]
Sent: Tuesday, February 05, 2008 7:15 AM
To: LMGtestimony
Subject: Testimony on HB2196,HD1 Relating to Caregiving

To the Honorable Members of the House Committee on Legislative Management, who have scheduled a hearing on H>B> 2196, "The Caregiving Omnibus Bill", on Tuesday February 5, 2008 at 2 p.m. in Room 423.

I am in support of this omnibus bill, and its companion SB 2830, because it includes decisions of the discussions that aging network, statewide, has had with the Kupuna Caucus, the Policy Advisory Board on Senior Affairs of the EOA, and the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving. H.B. 2196 encompasses the "expansions", including much needed respite services for family caregivers. and the services parallel the federally funded Title III and Title III-E, Older American Act Services that are delivered in Hawaii. With these state-funded services more kupuna and their family caregivers will be served, even in remote areas. Please support this bill.

County of Maui.

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