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Testimony on Intent to Support HB 2576 Making an Appropriation for the Hawaii
Health Systems Corporation
Appropriates federal funds for community-based dental health

By Thomas M. Driskill, Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 2576, which provides for community-based dental health clinic services to be provided by a dental residency program of the community-based dental health clinics of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation with appropriations out of the temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) program block grant funds and the HHSC special funds.

Provision of dental services for kupuna, keiki, developmentally disabled, and the uninsured is a good intent, but we cannot support this measure at this time because much information still needs to be evaluated on this proposal. Thank you.

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