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In reply, please refer to:
File:

House Committee on Finance

**SB 3074 SD1, MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH.**

**Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D.
Director of Health**

March 26, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department strongly supports this Administration bill.

(**Fiscal Implications:** Requesting an emergency appropriation of \$1,807,539 for fiscal year 2007-2008.

3 **Purpose and Justification:** The State provides emergency ambulance services for Oahu through
4 contractual arrangement with the City and County of Honolulu. The City and County of Honolulu
5 Emergency Services Department employs personnel represented by United Public Workers, Unit 1 and
6 Unit 10, and Hawaii Government Employees Association Unit 3 and Unit 13 for the collective
7 bargaining of salaries and employee benefits. The purpose of this request is to comply with negotiated
8 collective bargaining increases in fiscal year 2008 and maintain emergency ambulance services to meet
9 the public's need.

10 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.