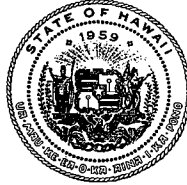


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**Senate Committee on Ways and Means**

**SB 3074, 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**

**February 15, 2008, 9:30 a.m.**

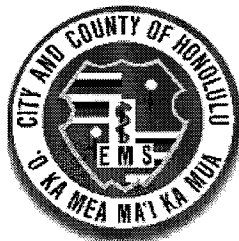
- 1 **Department's Position:** The Department strongly supports this Administration bill.
- 2 **Fiscal Implications:** Requesting an emergency appropriation of \$1,807,539 in general funds for fiscal  
3 year 2007-2008.
- 4 **Purpose and Justification:** The State provides emergency ambulance services for Oahu through  
5 contractual arrangement with the City and County of Honolulu. The City and County of Honolulu  
6 Emergency Services Department employs personnel represented by United Public Workers, Unit 1 and  
7 Unit 10, and Hawaii Government Employees Association Unit 3 and Unit 13 for the collective  
8 bargaining of salaries and employee benefits. The purpose of this request is to comply with negotiated  
9 collective bargaining increases in fiscal year 2008 and maintain emergency ambulance services to meet  
10 the public's need.

11 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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February 14, 2008

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair  
Committee on Ways and Means  
The Senate  
The Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Chair Baker and Members:

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

I offer my testimony in strong **SUPPORT** of SB 3074, relating to MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH.

I urge your **approval of SB 0374**. The EMS professionals of the City and County of Honolulu Emergency Medical Services Division are worthy of the raise.

Thank you for listening.

Respectfully submitted,

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