

LATE TESTIMONY

SB 3217 Relating to Public Funds

Limits the award of a grant or subsidy to an entity no more than once every years. Sets deadline for application for a grant or subsidy at January 31 at the start of each regular legislative session, or the last weekday in January

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Jan. 31, 2008 9:00: AM Conference Room 211

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Shan S. Tsutsui, Vice Chair

HAWAII SUBSTANCE ABUSE COALITION

GOOD MORNING CHAIR BAKER, VICE CHAIR TSUTSUI AND DISTINGUISHED COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

My name is Alan Johnson. I am the current chair of the Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition (HSAC), a statewide hui of more than twenty non-profit treatment and prevention agencies.

We offer recommendations to SECTION 1 regarding limiting any awards to an entity based on years. We suggest that the criteria not be "years" or time, but rather

- community need,
- project viability and
- assessment of outcome impact to the community.

HSAC supports SB 3217 with recommendations:

Recommendations:

Change verbiage to: SECTION 1: "42F- Grants and subsidies; limits, ~~No entity shall be awarded a grant or subsidy under this chapter more than once every years.~~ **Entities may receive a grant or subsidy under this chapter based upon a determination of community need, project viability and potential outcome impact to the community.**"

We appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony and are available for further discussion.