

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 656

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 5, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 710
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 710, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure a sufficient number of long-term care beds are available for our elderly and disabled population by providing an exemption for qualified long-term care facilities from the certificate of need process.

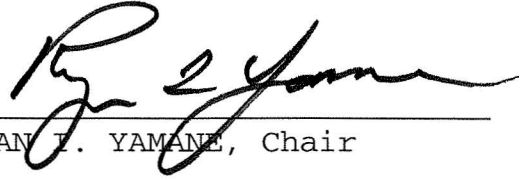
The Representative of the Fifth District and Department of Health supported this bill. The Hawaii Centers for Independent Living and Healthcare Association of Hawaii opposed this measure. The Hawaii Long Term Care Association submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 710, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



