

TO: COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
Representative John Mizuno, Chair
Representative Tom Brower, Vice Chair

FROM: Eudice R. Schick
PABEA (Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs)

SUBJECT: SB1568, SD2 (HSCR 1063)

HEARING: March, March 23, 2009 8:30 a.m. room 329

POSITION: Support of SB1568, SD2 (HSCR 1063)

I am offering testimony on behalf of PABEA, the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, which is an appointed Board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA). My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of the Board.

This bill, in part, supports the family care giver by allowing the care giver to collect unemployment should he or she need time off from their employment to care for a family member. It follows the same thinking of the Family Care Leave bills that we are hoping will also have your support. Care givers are becoming more and more an intregal part of our work force. The work force needs them and they need the support of the employer by allowing them to have benefits that help them in a time of unexpected need.

Your support of SB1568, SD 2 (HSCR 1063) is indeed support for our community, both caregivers and their families.

Eudice R. Schick, Chair PABEA Legislative Committee