

SB 615



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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

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Written Comments on SB 615 Relating to State Veterans' Home

Establishes a Veterans' gift account to be administered by the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation; also requires account to comply with reporting requirements for non-general fund information

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On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Board of Directors, thank you for this opportunity to testify on SB 615. We appreciate the intent of this bill to establish a gift account for donations to the State Veterans' Home that is located on the grounds of the Hilo Medical Center.

While the bill is not necessary because law already specifies that donations to HHSC are tax deductible, that HHSC has full authority to establish accounts for the management of funds, including donations, and that donors are likely to donate to separately controlled not-for-profit 501 (3) (c) corporations, we do not object to this bill.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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