

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 1, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 1178
S.D. 2
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, 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 improve the availability of kidney dialysis treatment, particularly during power outages, by requiring the Department of Health (DOH) to review the emergency plans of all dialysis centers in Hawaii and post a list on DOH's website of all dialysis centers in Hawaii that have backup emergency generators with the capacity to sustain dialysis treatments and maintain their water treatment system in the event of a power outage.

For purposes of the public hearing, your Committee made available to the public a proposed H.D. 2 version that deletes the provisions of the bill and inserts new language appropriating emergency funds to address a funding shortfall in the Medicaid program.

The Department of Human Services, Department of Budget and Finance, Hawaii Primary Care Association, 'Ohana Health Plan, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Association of Health Plans, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, Hawaii Medical Service Association, and AlohaCare testified in support of the proposed H.D. 2.

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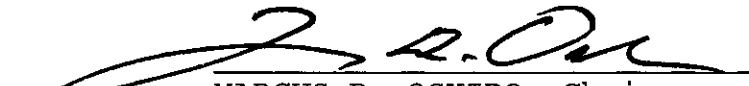


Your Committee has amended this bill by adopting the language in the proposed H.D. 2, to ensure the availability of the Medicaid program to eligible participants and appropriate payments to healthcare providers. Specifically, this bill, as amended:

- (1) Appropriates \$40,000,000 out of the general fund for fiscal year 2009-2010 for health care payments under program ID HMS 401;
- (2) Appropriates \$80,000,000 out of federal Medicaid funds for fiscal year 2009-2010 for health care payments under program ID HMS 401 as a federal match for state funds; and
- (3) Takes effect upon its approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1178, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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



MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1178 SD 2 HD1	HILT Fin	3/31/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
5. BROWER, Tom	✓			
6. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
7. COFFMAN, Denny	✓			
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
9. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
10. LEE, Chris	✓			
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
12. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
14. WOOLEY, Jessica				✓
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
16. FINNEGAN, Lynn				✓
17. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (17)	14	0	0	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Marilyn B. Lee</u>				
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