

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

814

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2009

RE: S.B. No. 417
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 417 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish reimbursement guidelines for medicaid to hospitals and facilities with long-term care beds.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires that medicaid reimbursements to facilities with long-term care beds for patients with medically complex conditions who, prior to admission to the facility were receiving acute care services in an acute care hospital, shall be equal to the state reimbursement rate for subacute care;
- (2) Requires that the medicaid reimbursement rate to hospitals for patients occupying acute-licensed beds and waitlisted for long-term care shall be equal to the acute medical services payment rate; and
- (3) Appropriates \$6,200,000 out of the general revenues to fund increased medicaid reimbursements.



Your Committee received four written comments on this measure. The written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee believes that this measure will provide fair compensation to acute care hospitals and to long-term care facilities.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriated amount to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 417, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 417, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 477	HMS/HJH, WAM	MAR 3 2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310				
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HEE, Clayton				/
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
TOTAL	9			3
Recommendation:				
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<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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