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# FILIPINO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF HAWAII

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February 8, 2011

Testimony in Support of SB 1361 – HMS – 2/10/11 1:45 p.m. Rm 016

Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice Chair Ihara, and Members of the Committee:

The Filipino Chamber of Commerce (FCCH) **supports SB1361**, which requires Community Care Foster Family Homes (foster homes) to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

We applaud the efforts of the industry to voluntarily raise their standard of quality and safety. In so doing, the Adult Foster Homecare Association demonstrates their commitment to maintaining and improving the quality of services they provide. In the long run, the industry will gain credibility in the community, a benefit that will hopefully translate into positive results for their business.

Therefore, FCCH reiterates its **strong support of SB1361** requiring foster homes to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

Very truly yours,

Filipino Chamber of Commerce  
By: Bryan P. Andaya

# ADULT FOSTER HOMECARE ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

P.O. Box 970092, Waipahu, Hawai'i 96797

February 8, 2011

**Thelma Ortal**  
President  
*Adult Foster HomeCare  
Association of Hawaii*

**Lani Akee**  
Immediate Past President  
*Adult Foster HomeCare  
Association of Hawaii*

Testimony in Support of SB 1361 – HMS – 2/10/11 1:45 p.m. Rm 016

Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice Chair Ihara, and Members of the Committee:

The Adult Foster HomeCare Association of Hawaii (AFHA) **supports SB 1361**, which requires Community Care Foster Family Homes (foster homes) to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

We request this self-imposed increase in standard to ensure quality of care and client safety. We have found that new foster home operators need at least a year of experience before being able to hone their skills to adequately serve three clients. Although this requirement would not appear to be advantageous from a business standpoint, we believe this will benefit the industry in the long run by ensuring that foster homes who take on an additional third client is ready to provide quality and safe service.

Therefore, AFHA **supports of SB1361** requiring foster homes to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

Very truly yours,

Thelma Ortal  
President

## About AFHA

The Adult Foster Home Association of Hawaii (AFHA) is the industry trade association of providers under the Community Care Foster Family Home program under the Department of Human Services, State of Hawaii. With a membership of almost 750 providers, AFHA's mission is to promote the interests of providers as well as resident clients. AFHA members provide 24-hour care to resident clients 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

# THE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

P.O. Box 2441, Honolulu, Hawai`i 96804

February 8, 2011

Testimony in Support of SB1361 - HMS - 2/10/11 1:45 p.m. Rm 016

Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice Chair Ihara, and Members of the  
Committee:

The Primary Care Providers (TCP) **strongly supports SB1361**, which requires Community Care Foster Family Homes (foster homes) to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

We request this self-imposed increase in standard to ensure quality of care and client safety. We have found that new foster home operators need at least a year of experience before being able to hone their skills to adequately serve three clients. Although this requirement would not appear to be advantageous from a business standpoint, we believe this will benefit the industry in the long run by ensuring that foster homes who take on an additional third client is ready to provide quality and safe service.

In summary, TCP reiterates its **support of SB1361** requiring foster homes to be licensed for a minimum of one year before being certified for a third client.

Very truly yours,

The Primary Care Providers (TCP)

By: Maria Etrata  
President and Founder

## About TCP

TCP's mission is unite the home and community based care giving industry to improve the quality of care provided to elderly and developmentally disabled clients in various home and community based programs, as well as to improve the state of the industry. Together, members of the four organizations have a membership of about 500 and comprise about 35% of the home and community-based caregivers in the State of Hawaii.

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Aikk Rumbaca strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Aikk Rumbaca strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

Aikk Rumbaca 685-1889  
91-1011 MAIPUH ST.  
BWA BEACH HI 96706

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Thelma Zales strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Thelma Zales strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

Thelma Zales 678-1472  
94-1308 KAHUANUI ST.  
WAIKANA, HI 96797

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Sharon Aglian strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Sharon Aglian strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

Sharon Aglian 677-2001

94-1496 Kakuaoa St. 397-8959  
Waipahu HI 96797

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Rhoda Agliam strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Rhoda Agliam strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,  
Rhoda Agliam  
678-26487  
1026 Puhoku St.  
Waipahu, HI 96797



To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Ely Nana strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Ely Nana strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

Ely Nana - 676-1974  
9A-301 LOAA St. Waipahu, HI 96797



To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Margie Agliam strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Margie Agliam strongly support **SB1361-**HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

*Margie Agliam*  
677-2201

94-1496 Kahuaka St.  
Waipahu HI 96797

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, Estela Ventura strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, Estela Ventura strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

Estela Ventura - 480-9852  
99-433 Pahi St. AIEA HI 96701

To: SGT. AT ARMS 586-6659  
Testimony in Strong Support of SB1360-HMS  
2/10/2011 1:45PM Room 016

To the Honorable Members of the Committee:

I, ELMA TIERRA strongly support SB1360 allowing Adult Foster Homes approved for a maximum of three(3) clients, that the primary caregivers must be a Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) and the Substitute caregivers must be a Nurse's Aide (NA).

Testimony in Strong Support of SB1361-HMS

I, ELMA TIERRA strongly support SB1361-HMS requires Adult Foster Home caregivers to have one to two years experience in a Foster Homes prior to being certified for a third client.

Yours Truly,

ELMA TIERRA 664-5164  
98-874 Kaamilo St. AIEA, HI 96701