

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2274
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2274, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure access to health care for Medicaid recipients by establishing a nursing facility sustainability fee and a special fund to receive moneys from the nursing facility sustainability fee in order to receive federal Medicaid matching funds under the QUEST Expanded Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver.

Healthcare Association of Hawaii and United Self Help testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii Health Systems Corporation commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

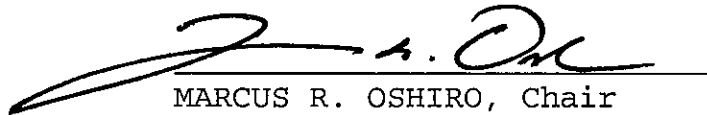
- (1) Deleting specific references to the organizations that:
 - (A) The Department of Health is to work with to determine the rate of the nursing facility sustainability fee; and
 - (B) Are to receive documentation of the monthly capitated rates by the Department of Health to the QUEST and QUEST Expanded Access Plans;



- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to facilitate continued discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 2274, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2274, H.D. 2.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



