

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23 , 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2466
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2466, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

beg 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.

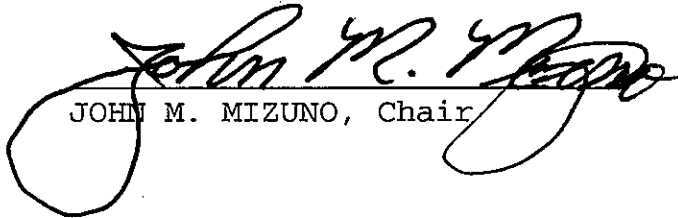
The Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hale Makua Health Services, and Hawaii Long Term Care Association testified in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services testified in support of this measure with amendments. The Hawaii Health Systems Corporation testified in support of the intent of this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance and one individual provided comments.

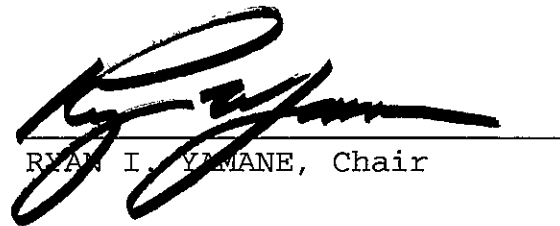
Your Committees have amended this measure by replacing language referencing the "Healthcare Association of Hawaii" and "Hawaii Long Term Care Association" with "nursing facility trade associations located in Hawaii".



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Human Services that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2466, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2466, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and Human
Services,


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair


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