

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

159

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 6, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 872

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 872 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FROM THE NURSING FACILITY SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM SPECIAL FUND,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Ensure continued timely payments to nursing facilities;  
and
- (2) Prevent disruption in providing medically necessary services to program recipients,

by making an emergency appropriation of \$12,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 out of the Nursing Facility Sustainability Program Special Fund. This appropriation will enable the Department of Human Services to draw down federal dollars for supplemental payments to nursing facilities to help offset uncompensated care provided to Medicaid enrollees, thus ensuring their access to quality care.

The Department of Human Services, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and Hawaii Long Term Care Association testified in support of this measure.

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Pursuant to the requirements set forth in Article VII, Section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Governor, in his Governor's Message No. 208 to the Legislature, requested immediate consideration and passage of this bill by the Legislature.

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 H.B. No. 872 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



MELE CARROLL, Chair



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair





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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 872	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HLT/HUS, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 2-1-13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
<b>HUS Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. CARROLL, Mele (C)	/			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	/			
5. JORDAN, Jo				/
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.				/
8. FUKUMOTO, Beth	/			
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	6			2
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ <span style="margin-left: 100px;">B. Keyi</span>				
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