

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR - 1 2013

RE: S.B. No. 1103

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1103 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation from the nursing facility sustainability program special fund of \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 to be used in accordance with the purposes of that fund, including the reimbursement of moneys advanced for those purposes in fiscal year 2012-2013 from the health care payments program.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Pearl City Nursing Home, and two concerned individuals.

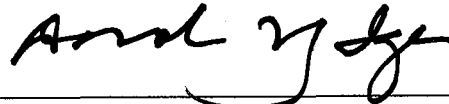
Your Committee finds that private nursing facilities are often underpaid for the care provided to Medicaid enrollees. The nursing facility sustainability program special fund was established by Act 156, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, to address this shortfall by assessing fees on nursing facilities and utilizing those moneys to draw down federal dollars to help offset their uncompensated care. While those fees are being assessed, the Department of Human Services, in good faith, has advanced moneys from the Medicaid health care payments program so that payments to private nursing facilities would not be delayed.



This measure will authorize the expenditure of funds from the nursing facility sustainability program special fund to ensure that the Department of Human Services will be able to continue making supplemental payments to nursing facilities and avoid a shortfall for the moneys it has already advanced.

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. 1103 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 1103</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HMS, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2-14-13</b>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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