

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1085

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 498
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 498,
S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the provision of effective pre-hospital care on Maui by appropriating funds to establish a twenty-four-hour, seven-days-a-week special emergency medical response unit based in Maalaea, Maui, including the acquisition of a vehicle, purchase of equipment, and personnel costs for staffing by a state licensed paramedic.

The Hawaii State Rural Health Association, American Medical Response, Maui County Paramedics Association, Ma'alaea Community Association, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and numerous individuals supported this measure. The Department of Health commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 498, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB498 SD2 HSCR HLT HMS 2013-2830



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

Delia A. Belatti

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



