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DATE: Wednesday, March 13, 2013
TIME: 8:30 A.M.
PLACE: Conference Room 329

To:
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
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Rep. Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair

From: Hawaii Medical Association
Dr. Steven Kemble, MD, President
Dr. Linda Rasmussen, MD, Legislative Co-Chair
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Re: SB 199 RELATING TO THE COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING PILOT PROGRAM

In Support.

Chair & Committee Members:

Hawaii Medical Association supports this measure.

Cancer of the colon and rectum, also known as colorectal cancer, is the second leading killer in the United States among cancers affecting both men and women.

The HMA agrees with the legislature that a screening program will increase detections of any cancer at an early state, which in turn improves chances for survival and decreases mortality rates.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

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