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Comments: HHSC supports the intent of providing training for the HHSC Maui Region. Thank you very much.

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Written Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Health
Friday, January 24, 2014 9:00 a.m.

By

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And

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HB 1597 – RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION

Aloha Chair Belatti, Vice Chair Morikawa and members of the committee.

The University of Hawai'i supports in principle any effort to increase the physician workforce in Hawai'i, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in the University's Board of Regents Approved Executive Biennium Budget.

With the support of the Legislature, the medical school has documented and continues to monitor the significant physician shortage that exists throughout Hawai'i, but which is greatest on the neighbor islands.

The current shortages are in many physician categories, but most noticeably in primary care. We have developed several new approaches during that time to attract and retain physicians in Hawai'i and to offer training and support to those who serve in the areas of highest need.

State support for Graduate Medical Education (GME—the Residency Training of MD school graduates) is needed to help meet workforce needs across all islands. Every year we partner with nine of Hawai'i's medical centers and the Hawai'i Residency Programs, Inc. to train 229 such physicians, in some 20 different fields. We know from experience that those who complete their GME in Hawai'i are most likely to stay and practice in our State.

Innovative solutions that partner with the State, teaching hospitals, and University of Hawai'i are needed to expand the number of training positions to meet needs now and in the future.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.



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TO:
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Rep. Della Au Belatti, Chair
Rep. Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair

FROM: Hawaii Medical Association
Dr. Walton Shim, MD, President
Dr. Linda Rasmussen, MD, Legislative Co-Chair
Dr. Ron Keinitz, MD, Legislative Co-Chair
Dr. Christopher Flanders, DO, Executive Director
Lauren Zirbel, Community and Government Relations

Re: HB 1597 RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEM CORPORATION

Position: Strongly Support HB 1597

The Hawaii Medical Association is submitting testimony in strong support of HB 1597.

This measure addresses primary care physician shortages by appropriating funds for the interdisciplinary Hawaii health systems corporation primary care training program at Maui Memorial medical center.

HMA believes that increasing the potential pool of physicians and other health care providers is an important step forward in addressing Hawaii's worsening catastrophic shortage of health care providers.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important issue.

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The House Committee on Health

To: Representative Della Au Belatti, Chair
Representative Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair

From: George Greene
President & CEO
Healthcare Association of Hawaii

Re: **Testimony in Support**
HB 1597 — Relating to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH) is a 116 member organization that includes all of the acute care hospitals in Hawaii, the majority of long term care facilities, all the Medicare-certified home health agencies, all hospice programs, as well as other healthcare organizations including durable medical equipment, air and ground ambulance, blood bank and respiratory therapy. In addition to providing quality care to all of Hawaii's residents, our members contribute significantly to Hawaii's economy by employing nearly 20,000 people statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB1597, which appropriates funds for the interdisciplinary Hawaii Health Systems Corporation primary care training program at Maui Memorial Medical Center. HAH supports HB 1597, which addresses the severe shortage of primary care providers in the State by training interdisciplinary teams capable of caring for four times as many patients as independent practicing physicians. HB 1597 furthers HAH's vision of a healthy Hawaii where every resident has convenient access to appropriate, affordable, and high quality healthcare.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1597.

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