

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2717
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2717 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Director of Human Services to adopt rules that apply annual cost of living increases to the income and asset thresholds for Medicaid eligibility.

The Department of Human Services provided comments.

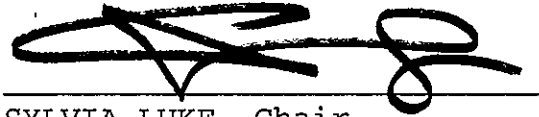
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2717, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2717, H.D. 1.



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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sylvia Luke', written over a horizontal line.

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



