

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 23, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2898
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Labor & Public Employment and Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2898, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STATE TO COMPLY WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to cover costs associated with departmental efforts to continue State compliance with the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, given the cessation of operations of the Hawaii Health Connector on December 4, 2015.

Specifically, this measure appropriates \$1,651,510 to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and \$3,790,929 to the Department of Human Services to support the transfer of certain Hawaii Health Connector functions, including reimbursing the departments for funds used in the ongoing maintenance and operation of the State's Medicaid eligibility and enrollment system.

Pursuant to requirements set forth in Article VII, Section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Governor, in Governor's Message No. 6 to the Legislature, requested immediate consideration and passage of this bill by the Legislature.



The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Department of Human Services, Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and ILWU Local 142 testified in support of this measure.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Labor & Public Employment and Human Services that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2898, S.D. 1, and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Labor & Public
Employment and Human Services,



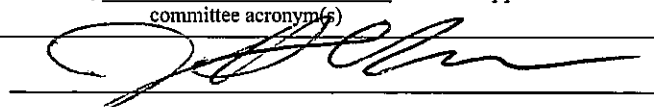
DEE MORIKAWA, Chair



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2898 SD1	Committee Referral: LAB/HUS, FIN	Date: 3/18/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	/			
2. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	/			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
4. HAR, Sharon E.	/			
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda	/			
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
7. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	/			
8. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	/			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.				/
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
11. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				/
TOTAL (11)	9			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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