

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 31 SD 1 AND SENATE
RESOLUTION 13 SD 1, SUPPORTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF AGING'S
EFFORTS TO INCORPORATE A NO WRONG DOOR SYSTEM APPROACH INTO
THE AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER HAWAII NETWORK

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

BY

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March 24, 2016

Good morning Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the Committee:

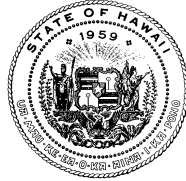
I'm Ron Han, Director of the State Office of Veterans' Services. I appreciate this opportunity to provide written testimony in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 31 SD 1 and Senate Resolution 13 SD 1 as long as its implementation does not impact or replace the priorities set forth in the Executive Budget.

The Office of Veterans Services (OVS) is a committed core partner or "Door" under the No Wrong Door (NWD) transformation grant. Under NWD, additional opportunities are over the horizon to expand information, access, and related processes for individuals with long term service and support (LTSS) needs, regardless of where they enter our health system.

Under the NWD initiative, OVS will continue to work with all of the agencies in the NWD network to expand and enhance access to LTSS and do our best to play a central role in the development and implementation of this effort.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments.

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Testimony in SUPPORT of SCR 31 SD1/SR13 SD1
Supporting the Executive Office on Aging's Efforts to Incorporate a No Wrong Door System
Approach into the Aging and Disability Resource Center Hawaii Network

Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair, Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair
and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Testimony of Terri Byers
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Hearing Date: March 24, 2016 Room Number: 211
9:00 am

- 1 **EOA's Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA), an attached agency to the Department
- 2 of Health, strongly **SUPPORTS** this measure.
- 3 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose of this resolution is to express the Legislature's
- 4 support of EOA's efforts to expand the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) into a
- 5 network of State and private agencies to support all ages and populations with disabilities and
- 6 comply with new federal guidelines and rules. In 2014, the State received a planning grant to
- 7 develop a three year plan to incorporate the No Wrong Door approach into the ADRC system. In
- 8 2015, Hawaii was one of five states to receive a three year grant to implement the plan. The
- 9 grant is for \$850,000/year for three years.

1 Our plan is to: 1) improve the coordination of programs; 2) develop curriculum and
2 training for ADRC staff on person-centered counseling; and 3) establish multiple funding
3 sources to sustain the ADRC network.

4 This federal grant should not be confused with the current funding the Legislature is
5 providing to EOA for the ADRC. The state funds to EOA are used by the counties for their staff
6 and operations to support our kupuna. The federal grant will be used by EOA to build the
7 infrastructure so the ADRC will be able to expand services to more populations, develop
8 common tools among the agencies so that referrals will be more coordinated and find alternate
9 sources of funding to sustain the network.

10 We urge your support of SCR 31 SD1/ SR 13 SD1. Thank you for the opportunity to
11 provide testimony on this measure.



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The Honorable Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
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Dear Senator Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: SCR 31 SD1 and SR 13 SD1 – SUPPORTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING'S EFFORTS TO INCORPORATE A NO WRONG DOOR SYSTEM APPROACH INTO THE AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER HAWAII NETWORK

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **SUPPORTS SCR 31 SD1 and SR 13 SD1**. The No Wrong Door system approach would serve as a one stop single entry process to make it easy for people of all ages, disabilities, and income levels to learn about and obtain home and community-based services in their own homes instead of institutions or congregate settings. The approach addresses the crucial need to weave existing public-funded Long-Term Services and Supports' access points into an integrated network and create a blend of funding sources to support the Aging and Disability Resources Center network. Those are important components for Hawaii to engage in order to establish a single statewide system of access to long-term services and supports for all populations.

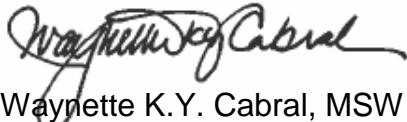
As a strong supporter of the No Wrong Door system approach, the Council willingly participates in planning meetings; assists in providing education, outreach, training; and disseminating information about No Wrong Door. This approach is an important and timely opportunity for Hawaii to develop a statewide system that will support all individuals with long-term services and support needs so they can lead meaningful lives. The new Federal guidance and rules "require that home and community-based services respond to beneficiary needs and choices; provide strategies to maximize independence; and provide support and coordination necessary for "individualized, self-directed, community-supported life."

We kindly ask the Legislature to support the Executive Office on Aging's efforts to implement the three-year grant to incorporate a No Wrong Door approach into the Aging and Disability Resource Center network.

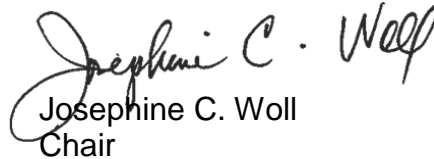
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony **supporting SCR 31 SD1 and SR 13 SD1.**

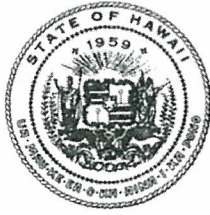
Sincerely,



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TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senate Concurrent Resolution 31, SD1/Senate Resolution 13, SD1 – Supporting the Executive Office on Aging's Efforts to Incorporate a No Wrong Door System Approach into the Aging and Disability Resource Center Hawaii Network

The Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB) supports Senate Concurrent Resolution 31, SD1 and Senate Resolution 13, SD1 – Supporting the Executive Office on Aging's Efforts to Incorporate a No Wrong Door System Approach into the Aging and Disability Resource Center.

We are aware that at the national level, the Administration for Community Living (ACL) has created the "No Wrong Door" system out of a commitment to older adults and people with disabilities to be able to live where they choose and be able to fully participate in their communities. This philosophy is consistent with that of DCAB. In 2015, we were asked to participate in the planning meetings to assist in providing a multitude of community services, education and outreach to the community to ensure access to needed community services, individual supports and other assistance promoting self-determination, independence, productivity, integration and inclusion to be part of this system.

Since the meetings were initially convened, DCAB has not been included in the planning efforts, however we request to be included in the advisory board. We believe that an integrated statewide system that supports all individuals with disabilities to obtain services in an efficient and effective manner is needed statewide. We have been an established disability-related agency since the late-1960s and have an historic perspective on people with disabilities and the service system in Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairperson
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