

SB1235

Measure Title: RELATING TO HEALTH.

Report Title: Hana Health; Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center; Appropriation (\$)

Description: Appropriates funds as a grant for the continued support of Hana Health in Hana, Maui. Appropriates funds as a grant to the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center for operation of its twenty-four-hour emergency room. Requires funds necessary for the operation of Hana Health and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center's emergency services to be included in the department of health's base budget beginning with the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: CPH, WAM

Introducer(s): ENGLISH, BAKER, GREEN, HARIMOTO, KEITH-AGARAN, SHIMABUKURO, S. Chang, Espero, Kim, Ruderman, Wakai



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Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

The Hon. Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair

The Hon. Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

Testimony on Senate Bill No. 1235

RELATING TO HEALTH.

**Submitted by Robert Hirokawa, Chief Executive Officer
February 8, 2017, 9:00 a.m.; State Capitol, Conf. Room 229**

The Hawaii Primary Care Association (HPCA), which represents the federally qualified community health centers in Hawaii, **SUPPORTS** Senate Bill No. 1235. As presently drafted, the bill would:

- (1) Appropriate \$1,500,000 in general funds for FY 2017-2018 as a grant to support Hana Health;
- (2) Appropriate \$1,925,000, in general funds for FY 2017-2018 as a grant to support Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center for the operation of its twenty-four hour emergency room; and
- (3) Require these appropriations to be included in the Department of Health's base budget beginning with the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Both Hana Health and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center have clearly demonstrated their leadership in serving the health care needs of our most vulnerable populations. As such, the provision of these grants to assist them most definitely will serve the public good.

Furthermore, the inclusion of funding into the base budget would benefit the entire State by ensuring that our community health centers are able to provide desperately needed services to all who may need them – from Medicare and Medicaid enrollees, to locals residing near these facilities, to tourists visiting our islands. Supporting Hana Health and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center strengthens Hawaii's overall health care infrastructure.

For these reasons we **SUPPORT** Senate Bill No. 1235 and urge your favorable consideration of this measure.



February 7, 2017

Senator Rosalyn Baker
Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

SB1235: Relating to Health

LETTER IN SUPPORT

Dear Senator Baker and Committee Members:

I am writing to express the support of the Hawaii College of Emergency Physicians for SB1235 and funding for 24-hour emergency services at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

Waianae Comp is an essential part of the health care system on Oahu. Its patient population is largely medically underserved due to limited health care facilities in the area as well as socioeconomic factors. The thousands of patients served yearly between the hours of 12am and 8am, hours that Waianae Comp may need to be closed without additional funding, would be at significant risk of poor outcomes if they have to travel the more than 20 miles to the nearest facility.

Oahu and the state of Hawaii already face a shortage of emergency department capacity. Please support funding to maintain 24-hour emergency services for the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

Sincerely,

William Scruggs, MD, RDMS, FACEP
Chair, Emergency Department
Castle Medical Center
Immediate Past President
Hawaii College of Emergency Physicians



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February 6, 2017

TO: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Nicholas Hughey, Chief Operating Officer
Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center
Contact: wcchc@wcchc.com

Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center **strongly supports SB 1235, Relating to Health**, which supports Waianae Comp. and Hana Health in providing essential emergency services for the communities we serve. This bill acknowledges the unique circumstances that must be considered when providing health care, especially emergency care, in isolated communities such as Waianae and Hana.

Between 1976 and 2007, the Legislature approved an annual subsidy in recognition of the important role Waianae Comp. filled in providing emergency medical and disaster-related services for the isolated Waianae coast. Since 2008, Waianae Comp's (as well as Hana Health's) emergency subsidy has been provided through the Hawaii Tobacco Settlement-Community Health Center Special Funds.

To assure emergency medical and disaster-related response services are available for the 48,000 residents of the Waianae coast, the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center is requesting urgent support from the Legislature to enable its emergency room to remain open 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

SB 1235 supports:

- 1) Funding of emergency services through a grant in 2017-2018 for both the Waianae Comp (\$1,925,000) and Hana Health (\$1,500,000) and,
- 2) The same level of funds, beginning in 2018-2019, to be included in the Department of Health's base budget to ensure continuity, and that the safety and health network is in place for the future for both Waianae and Hana.

A stable, long term funding option for both Waianae Comp Health Center and Hana Health will relieve the constant anxiety our community members feel when their access to needed health care, particularly emergency care, is in jeopardy year after year. Inclusion of both health centers in the Department of Health base budget will assure that our residents, and visitors alike, will be able to access emergency medical attention when needed.

Without legislative backing, Waianae Comp has limited financial capacity to operate its emergency department from midnight to 8:00 am and risks the capability to assure health equity for our primarily low income Native Hawaiian community and an adequate network of services.

Subsidy funding allows Waianae Comp. to support the difference between fees collected from services rendered and the actual cost of providing services. Funding supports midnight to 8:00am onsite laboratory and radiology services, uninsured/underinsured visits, security and housekeeping services, emergency department medical staffing, as well as other operational costs.

With the majority of Waianae Comp's 650 employees from communities in West Oahu, having to reduce or eliminate staff due to financial constraints places a hardship on individuals/families as well as the community.

In 2015-2016, Waianae Comp's **24-hour emergency department operation served 13,332 patients through 23,589 visits** with 90% of patients being from Waianae, 54% are Native Hawaiian, 63% are covered under QUEST and 6% are uninsured.

During the hours of **midnight to 8:00 am, 1,963 patients were served through 3,561 visits.** Patients presented with the following conditions: 174 with chest pain/congestive heart failure; 327 in respiratory distress; 639 with severe signs/symptoms; 202 with trauma; 15 in labor; 87 with mental illness/substance abuse.

Many of these cases, such as Congestive Heart Failure, Asthma Exacerbations, Behavioral Health emergencies, etc., are provided care within the emergency department over extended periods, often until their completion. The intensity and length of care helps support the patient and their family within the community while reducing stress on hospitals and ambulance services.

The Waianae Comp **emergency department**, centrally located on the Waianae coast, **addresses issues of being an isolated community** with a 4-lane highway serving as the only entrance/exit in and out of the community that stretches 12 miles from Nanakuli to Kaena Point. Besides normal traffic congestion, factors that further impede and sometimes completely shuts down the flow of traffic include accidents, roadside fires, weather related debris on the road, downed telephone poles, etc.

There are many factors that contribute to the **inability of Waianae Comp's emergency room to support itself financially:**

- ~The emergency department serves a low-income, uninsured and underinsured population.
- ~The emergency department serves the large homeless population on the Waianae coast
- ~The economic base of the community is not able to support medical services on a fee-for-service basis. Waianae Comp must absorb the cost of uninsured and underinsured patients.
- ~Due to Waianae Comp's status as a federally qualified health center, we are not allowed the benefit of hospital-based emergency departments to bill an emergency room facility fee for emergency patients covered under the federal programs of Medicaid, Medicare and Tri-Care. Patients under these federal

programs make up 70% of our patient base.

~The State's uninsured funding is specifically for uninsured primary care visits and does not cover uninsured emergency room visits.

~Other rural communities receive a large State subsidy for emergency services through the State Hospital System. Our emergency room does not get proportionate support.

~For the last nine years (since 2008), Waianae Comp's subsidy funding from the state has remained flat at \$1.486 million a year. The funding request of \$1.925 million represents three-quarters of the annual loss of operating emergency services between midnight to 8:00am, 365 days a year.

With recognition by the State of Hawaii as a **Trauma Support Facility**, Waianae Comp's emergency department serves as a safety net for the residents of the Waianae coast and its participation in the statewide Emergency Medical System (EMS) is considered crucial.

~Waianae Comp's emergency department staff are active members in the Health Care Association of Hawaii, regularly updating and coordinating with other hospitals/members as well as internally within all clinics/programs/departments, for disaster preparedness.

~The emergency department is disaster-ready due to the fact that it is connected to the Emergency Management computer that links all Hawaii hospitals within the statewide EMS and has mass casualty/disaster gear issued through the Health Care Association.

The **Queen's Medical Center – West Oahu** is important to the communities of Leeward and Central Oahu but given all of the demands of the greater geographic area it cannot solely address the emergency medical and disaster response needs of the Waianae coast.

~Queen's – West Oahu is located 20 miles (an approximate 35 minute commute time, without traffic) from Makaha/Makua, the community farthest west on the Waianae coast.

~Queen's - West Oahu serves a large and rapidly growing service area including, but not limited to, Kapolei, Ewa/Ewa Beach, Waipahu, Makakilo, Ko Olina, and Kunia. The ability of Waianae Comp to maintain 24-hour coverage is critical in ensuring that the overall emergency response system in West Oahu is not overtaxed leading to increased wait times for emergency care that can be discouragingly and dangerously long.

~Despite the opening of Queen's - West Oahu in May 2014, Waianae Comp has not seen a significant drop in the number of patient visits to its own ER.

Waianae Comp's emergency room is used by the **Honolulu Police Department and Child Protective Services**.

~The Honolulu Police Department-Waianae station brings individuals in custody to the emergency department for medical care. If HPD had to take the individual to Queens Medical Center –West Oahu, or another emergency facility, that would decrease police protection in the community.

~The state Child Protective Services uses the emergency department for pre-placement physical exams when children are removed from their parents/guardians.

Thank you for considering Waianae Comp and Hana Health's request through SB 1235.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Justin	Hawaii Dental Hygienist's Association	Support	No

Comments: As President of the Hawaii Dental Hygienist's Association I would like to formally show support for this bill. Overall health of the residents of Hana is a concern and of importance to our association, as the health of all residents of Hawaii is. Hana is a unique and isolated area of our state and with that comes additional barriers. Passing this bill will help the residents of Hana overcome some of the challenges that they may face and lead to greater improvement in the general wellness of their community

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February 7, 2017

TO: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Ginger Fuata, Patient at WCCHC

Aloha Honorable Senators and Committee members:

Aloha, my name is Ginger Fuata resident of Waianae Valley Homestead since 1997, active community member on several boards in our community, state, and National level. I am a patient at Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center for the past 10 years, my children and grandchildren are all patients as well, and a WCCHC board member.

I am submitting testimony to request your support of SB 1235: Relating to Health, but more important to ask you to ensure emergency medical services are available to the Waianae Coast community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year by passing and supporting SB 1235. This important bill will affect the lives of 48,000 community members, including our most precious resource our children. **My son, who is now 36 years old, would not be alive today if he did not get the emergency services provided at the WCCHC's ER and may have died,– he was stabilized at WCCHC's ER and medivac to Queens Hospital in Honolulu. The lives it saves is what counts.** It's vital that we the people of Waianae have access to an ER open 24-hours a day.

The Emergency Room at WCCHC is a critical facility and without the ER services provided many lives would be lost. The Waianae Coast is

isolated and in the event of a disaster, the WCCHC will be the only facility able to operate, respond and support the potentially high medical and emergency services required for this remote community. Without this important funding, the WCCHC ER will have limited funding to support the services between the midnight and 8:00 a.m. operation. This funding will protect the vital emergency and disaster-related services needed for our families and community.

I thank you for your support of this bill, **making the right choice, because it's the right decision. Please support: SB 1235**

Grateful,

Ginger Fuata

February 6, 2017

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Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health**

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Daniel H. Gomes

Aloha Chair Baker and Committee members:

My name is Dan Gomes, a lifetime resident of Waianae, a business consultant, and a Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center (WCCHC) board member.

I am requesting your support of SB 1235 to ensure emergency medical services are available to the Waianae Coast community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

This bill will have a direct impact on the lives of approximately 48,000 people living in an isolated area with a single 4-lane highway serving as the only entrance into and exit out of their community that extends from Nanakuli, through Maili, Waianae, Makaha and out to Kaena Point.

Besides normal traffic congestion, other incidents including accidents, roadside fires, weather related debris, downed telephone poles, etc., frequently blocks or completely shuts down highway access, that in critical emergency situations can mean the difference between life and death.

The Emergency Room at WCCHC is an essential facility that provides lifesaving intervention in critical need situations, saving lives that could otherwise be lost. The Waianae Coast is an isolated area, and in the event of a major disaster, the WCCHC will be the only facility able to respond to provide timely emergency medical services required for this remote community.

WCCHC also works with the Honolulu Police Department, Child Welfare Protection Agencies, EMS and the Honolulu Fire Department, agencies who regularly use the ER facility as needed 24 hours a day. Losing the WCCHC ER funding will have impacts and unintended consequences on costs and increased response times for these community support agencies who may need to travel farther to access needed resources during overnight hours.

Without adequate funding, the WCCHC ER will be unavailable between midnight and 8:00 a.m. each day, severely limiting the vital emergency and disaster-related services needed for our community.

As a resident, parent, and an active community member, I know how important these services are to me, my family, and my community, and am urging everyone on this committee to please support SB 1235 to fund the 24-hour operation of the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Centers Emergency Room, a necessary and vital resource for the Waianae Coast Community.

Please support: SB 1235

Thank you.

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**TO: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health**

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Denice Keliikoa, Patient at WCCHC

Aloha Honorable Senators and Committee members:

My name is Denice Keliikoa, resident of Waianae Valley Homestead since 1977, active in our community and currently employed at the Honolulu Fire Department. I am a patient at Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center for the past eight years and a WCCHC board member.

I am submitting testimony to request your support of SB 1235: Relating to Health, but more important to ask you to ensure emergency medical services are available to the Waianae Coast community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year by passing and supporting SB 1235. This important bill will affect the lives of 48,000 community members. **My grandson would not be alive today if he did not get the emergency services provided at the WCCHC's ER and may have died if taken to town – so I understand how important having an ER open 24-hours a day and close to home means.**

The Emergency Room at WCCHC is a critical facility and without the ER services provided many lives would be lost. The Waianae Coast is isolated and in the event of a disaster, the WCCHC will be the only facility able to operate, respond and support the potentially high medical and emergency services required for this remote community. Without this important funding, the WCCHC ER will have limited funding to support the services between the midnight and 8:00 a.m. operation. This funding will protect the vital emergency and disaster-related services needed for our families and community.

As a City employee, I also know the WCCHC provides services in partnership with the Honolulu Police Department, Child Welfare Protection Agencies, EMS and the Honolulu Fire Department. As a resident, grandmother, mother and community member, I also know how important these services are to my family and friends.

Please support this important bill and make the right choice. **Please support: SB 1235**

Thank you.

Denice Keliikoa

February 6, 2017

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Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health**

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: L. Candy Suiso, Patient at WCCHC

Aloha Honorable Senators and Committee members:

My name is Candy Suiso from Makaha. I began my career as a teacher at Wai`anae High School in 1987. Currently, I am the Executive Director of Searider Productions - an integrated multi-media program at Wai`anae High. I am a Board Member and patient at Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

I am submitting testimony to request your support of SB 1235: Relating to Health, but more important to ask you to ensure emergency medical services are available to the Waianae Coast community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year by passing and supporting SB 1235. This important bill will affect the lives of 48,000 community members.

Many of us who live on the coast depend on the center's ER. There is one way in and one way out of Wai`anae. Traffic, no matter what day of the week or what time of the day is horrific. In the event of a disaster, the WCCHC is the only facility able to operate, respond and support the potentially high medical and emergency services required for this remote community. Without this important funding, the WCCHC ER will have limited funding to support the services between the midnight and 8:00 a.m. operation. This funding will protect the vital emergency and disaster-related services needed for our families and community. The Emergency Room at WCCHC is a critical facility and without the ER services provided many lives would be lost. As a City employee, I also know the WCCHC provides services in partnership with the Honolulu Police Department, Child Welfare Protection Agencies, EMS and the Honolulu Fire Department. As a resident, grandmother, mother and community member, I also know how important these services are to my family and friends.

Please support this important bill and make the right choice. **Please support: SB 1235**

Sincerely

L. Candy Suiso



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TO: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
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RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Dr. Stephen Bradley, Chief Medical Officer
Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center
Contact: sbradley@wcchc.com

I am requesting your support of SB 1235 to ensure emergency medical services are available to the Waianae Coast community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

I have been a primary care physician at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center for over 20 years.

As the Chief Medical Officer, I am professionally responsible for the oversight of medical providers and their services throughout the Health Center where we serve 35,000 patients through 200,000 visits per year.

It is also my personal responsibility to assure that the needs of our community are being met by the services we provide. Providing a 24 hour emergency department is one essential service that our community consistently advocates for, and demands as vital.

Ninety percent (90%) of patients served in our emergency department are from Waianae, 54% are Native Hawaiian, 63% are covered under QUEST and 6% are uninsured.

The severity of conditions that patients present with to our ER include chest pain/congestive heart failure; respiratory distress; trauma; mental illness/substance abuse and labor. It's essential that a patient with any one of these conditions is able to get access to immediate care from a well-equipped and highly experienced emergency department such as the Health Center's 24-hour emergency room.

Please consider how important the emergency department is to the Waianae coast community and support SB 1235. Mahalo.



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RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1235: Relating to Health

SUBMITTED BY: Dr. Ren Kinoshita, Emergency Department Physician &
Edward Ho, Emergency Department Operations Manager/Disaster
Coordinator
Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center
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In our roles as a physician, operations manager, as well as disaster coordinator for the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center's emergency department, we know first-hand the importance of our location and services to meet the emergency medical and disaster-related needs for not only residents of the Waianae coast, but also for visitors and other Hawaii residents who take part in boating, swimming, surfing, hiking, hunting and other recreational activities that our area offers.

We ask for your support for SB 1235 to fund essential emergency medical and disaster-related services for our isolated communities of Waianae, and for Hana, who also has similar needs.

We are centrally located on the coast with 24 hour emergency, lab and radiology services. We are staffed with emergency room physicians, physician's assistants, registered nurses, laboratory and radiology technicians and emergency room technicians.

In the mid 1970's, our community advocated for emergency services due to our isolation. The Health Center has been in operation since 1972 and our ER opened in 1976. Since 1976, the emergency needs of the community has only expanded with the population, homelessness, substance use, mental health issues and chronic health conditions.

The Health Center's emergency department is vital to our community. Please support our ER for our community. Mahalo.



TO: SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR
SENATOR CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, VICE CHAIR

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

FROM: CHERYL VASCONCELLOS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
HANA HEALTH

DATE: February 8, 2017

**TESTIMONY ON SB1235
RELATING TO HEALTH**

Hana Health **strongly supports** SB1235, Relating To Health, as this bill acknowledges the special circumstances that must be considered when providing health care, particularly emergency care in the Hana and Waianae regions of the State. Hana Health (the smallest health center in the State) and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center (the largest health center in the State) are unique among Federally Qualified Health Centers in the state and country, in that both must provide urgent/emergent care in our respective communities.

Hana Health serves 2,500 residents and more than 600,000 visitors annually. Hana, Maui is one of the most isolated areas in the state. Located fifty-seven miles from Wailuku, the trip takes approximately two hours along a single lane road with six hundred seventeen turns and fifty-six one-lane bridges. Hana has been designated by the federal government as a Medically Under-Served Population, a Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Area, a Dental Health Professional Shortage Area and a Mental

Health Professional Shortage Area. Hana Health is the only health care provider in the district, providing the full scope of primary medical, dental and behavioral health care with a special emphasis on meeting the health care needs of the significant Native Hawaiian population.

In addition to providing primary care to this under-served community, Hana Health is an integral part of the statewide emergency services system, providing urgent/emergent medical treatment to seriously ill patients who either come to the health center on their own or are brought to the health center by ambulance. When needed, Hana Health coordinates transport of patients to the Maui Memorial Medical Center with the support of American Medical Response. This takes place seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In 2016, two hundred and fifty-four (254) patients were cared for **after** regular health center hours, including 59 (23%) visitors to Hana. This does not include the urgent care patients served during regular operating hours.

State funding for Hana Health is mandated by ACT 263 which guarantees continued state financial support to sustain the development of a community based health care program in the Hana District. Over the past several years, **the state has met its obligation in this regard through the Community Health Center Special Fund.**

Since, its inception, the special fund has provided Hana Health with a stable funding mechanism, assuring that needed primary medical care and emergency services would continue to be available in the Hana community. Prior to establishment of the special fund, Hana Health was forced to secure an appropriation through the legislative process every year. This unpredictable approach to maintaining a health care delivery system in our remote community results in a loss of providers, erratic service delivery and subsequently poor patient outcomes.

A stable, long term funding option for both Hana Health and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center will relieve the constant anxiety our community members feel when their access to needed health care, particularly emergent care is in jeopardy year after year. Inclusion of both health centers in the Department of Health base

budget will assure that our residents and visitors alike will be able to access emergency medical attention when needed.

We urge you to **support** SB1235 and appropriate the funds necessary to keep emergency services available in our vulnerable communities. Thank you for your consideration.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Justin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a resident and dental hygienist of Maui I know the difficulty my patients that live in Hana have when it comes to health care in their community. I support this bill as continuation of funds for the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center will ensure appropriate health care services for an area that is isolated from much of the health care on Maui.

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Curt S. Morimoto	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ellie Kelley-Miyashiro	Hawai Dental Hygienists' Association	Support	No

Comments: As Hana Heath also provide oral health care, HDHA supports additional funding to make these service possible

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Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

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