

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 23**, 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2988  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred S.B. No. 2988, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KUPUNA CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support the health and well-being of caregivers and elders in the State by including activities of daily living and attendant care as services covered by the Kupuna Caregivers Program. Additionally, this measure requires the Executive Office on Aging to:

- (1) Offer a plan to maximize the number of participants in the program and offer certain core services; and
- (2) Submit a copy of the plan to the Legislature.

The City and County of Honolulu Department of Community Services, Caring Across Generations, AARP Hawaii, Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, Hawai'i Public Health Association, Mental Health America of Hawai'i, Hawaii Advocates for Consumer Rights, Kupuna Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 142, Hawai'i Section of the American College of Obstetricians and



Gynecologists, Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Hawaii Meals on Wheels, American Association of University Women of Hawaii, Faith Action for Community Equity, and many concerned individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. The Executive Office on Aging provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the appropriation for continuation of the Kupuna Caregivers Program;
- (2) Requiring all service providers to be licensed under Chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

Your Committee requests that the Executive Office on Aging provide to the members of your Committees on Health & Human Services and Finance:

- (1) An estimate on how many residents may be provided services under the Kupuna Caregivers Program if the program were appropriated \$2,000,000; and
- (2) Documentation of each service provider contracted through the Kupuna Caregivers Program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2988, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2988, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health & Human  
Services,

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



