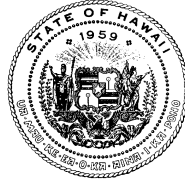


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of HB1012
Relating to Establishing the Executive Office on Aging
Administrative Claiming Special Fund**

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1 **EOA's Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA), an attached agency to the Department
2 of Health **supports** HB1012 Establishing the Executive Office on Aging Administrative
3 Claiming Special Fund.

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose of this bill is to establish a special fund in the
5 Executive Office on Aging into which federal funds the state is eligible to receive can be
6 deposited. EOA will then be able to distribute the funds to the Aging and Disability Resource
7 Center (ADRC) in each county for services to kupuna and individuals with disabilities who need
8 long-term services and supports.

9 The Administration for Community Living (ACL) recommends that states pursue
10 Medicaid administrative claiming of federal matching funds, known as Federal Financial

1 Participation (FFP), in order to provide additional revenue for the ADRCs. This will enable the
2 EOA and the ADRCs to expand services to kupuna and individuals with disabilities. The
3 Administrative Claiming guidance that we received from the ACL identifies the activities that
4 are potentially eligible for Medicaid Administrative Claiming to include: 1) Medicaid outreach;
5 2) referral, coordination and monitoring of Medicaid services; 3) facilitating Medicaid eligibility,
6 and 4) other Medicaid administrative functions such as training, program planning, quality
7 improvement and information technology development.

8 Currently fourteen states use Medicaid administrative claiming funds to support their
9 ADRC activities, and thirteen states are in the planning phase to implement Medicaid
10 administrative claiming.

11 EOA is currently in the process of submitting a claim for its share of FFP funds, but EOA
12 has no mechanism to receive the FFP funds and redistribute these funds to the county ADRCs.
13 Establishing a special fund would allow EOA to receive the FFP reimbursements and make those
14 monies available to EOA to distribute to the ADRC for the work they were established to
15 perform pursuant to HRS 349-32.

16 **Fiscal Implications:** It is estimated that the annual FFP claim for EOA and the ADRCs in all
17 four counties would equal \$1.283 million in SFY 2018-19 to \$2.036 million in SFY 2022-23.

18 According to ACL, most states claim between \$500,000 to \$2 million per year.

19 Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB1012.



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Aloha Chair San Buenaventura, Vice Chair Nakamura, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **support** of HB 1012 Relating to Establishing the Executive Office on Aging Administrative Claiming Special Fund.

The State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) supports the establishment of a special fund for administrative claiming in the Executive Office on Aging. This is an excellent example of cross departmental collaboration to optimize additional revenue streams and maximize federal funding to support and expand greatly needed kupuna programs.

It is our sincere hope that more collaborations, like this, will occur in the future.

Your favorable consideration of this measure is greatly appreciated.

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