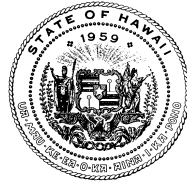


SB 234



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Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0234
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

SENATOR MIKE GABBARD, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Hearing Date: February 1, 2019

Room Number: CR 224

1 **Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Health (Department) will not receive approximately
2 \$47 million in federal funds for the water pollution control revolving fund (WPCRF) and
3 drinking water treatment revolving loan fund (DWTRLF) programs, if this measure is not
4 passed.

5 Sufficient appropriations are required to assure optimal public health, and in particular
6 for addressing community mental health issues, and environmental management.

7 **Department Testimony:** The Department strongly supports this measure. The Department
8 receives millions of dollars of federal funding in the form of capitalization grants annually from
9 the United States Environmental Protection Agency for both WPCRF and DWTRLF programs.
10 As a condition of receiving the federal capitalization grants, the Department must provide the
11 required 20% match for each program in accordance with Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations
12 (CFR) §35.3135(b) for the WPCRF and 40 CFR §35.3550(g) for DWTRLF. This equates to an
13 investment of one (1) State dollar returning five (5) Federal dollars to the State of Hawaii.

14 The WPCRF program provides low interest loans at a loan rate of 1.25% to County
15 agencies to finance the construction of water pollution control projects necessary to prevent
16 contamination of our groundwater and coastal water resources and to protect and promote public
17 health and safety in the State of Hawaii. Since its inception in 1991, the WPCRF program has
18 committed approximately \$914 million dollars to the Counties to finance their water pollution
19 control projects.

1 The DWTRLF program has committed over \$344 million dollars in low interest loans to
 2 the four County drinking water supply entities since 1997 to address aging water system
 3 infrastructure, increasingly stringent treatment requirements under the Federal Safe Drinking
 4 Water Act, and resiliency and sustainability impacts due to climate change. In addition, the
 5 DWTRLF program is preparing to provide low interest loans to privately-owned public water
 6 systems within the next 12 months.

7 The request for the appropriations in this measure is urgent and cannot be deferred. If the
 8 state match is not appropriated, the State stands to lose millions of dollars in federal funds.

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 10 Governor’s Executive Budget Request:

11 The Department supports the Governor’s Executive Budget Request, as follows:

Fiscal Year 2020				
Act 53/18 Appropriation	Reductions	Additions	Total FY20	MOF
\$ 490,367,659.00	\$ (7,207,300.00)	\$ 24,251,995.00	\$ 507,412,354.00	A
\$ 203,699,060.00		\$ 1,484,483.00	\$ 205,183,543.00	B
\$ 87,478,064.00		\$ 41,949,009.00	\$ 129,427,073.00	N
\$ 53,891,894.00	\$ (4,045,915.00)	\$ 19,012,081.00	\$ 68,858,060.00	P
\$ 4,417,031.00		\$ 608,395.00	\$ 5,025,426.00	U
\$ 211,594,712.00		\$ 370,533.00	\$ 211,965,245.00	W
\$ 1,051,448,420.00	\$ (11,253,215.00)	\$ 87,676,496.00	\$ 1,127,871,701.00	Total
Fiscal Year 2021				
Act 53/18 Appropriation	Reductions	Additions	Total FY21	MOF
\$ 490,367,659.00	\$ (7,207,300.00)	\$ 31,070,088.00	\$ 514,230,447.00	A
\$ 203,699,060.00		\$ 2,765,344.00	\$ 206,464,404.00	B
\$ 87,478,064.00	\$ (5,552,632.00)		\$ 81,925,432.00	N
\$ 53,891,894.00	\$ (4,993,161.00)		\$ 48,898,733.00	P
\$ 4,417,031.00		\$ 612,173.00	\$ 5,029,204.00	U
\$ 211,594,712.00		\$ 370,533.00	\$ 211,965,245.00	W
\$ 1,051,448,420.00	\$ (17,753,093.00)	\$ 34,818,138.00	\$ 1,068,513,465.00	Total

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 13 Please see Exhibit A which is a copy of Tables 3 and 15 of the briefing materials as a summary
 14 of the Department’s requested budget appropriations broken down by Program ID.

1 The Department request the Legislature’s attention for the following priorities.

2 **Recurring Base Budget Appropriations**

3 Executive Office on Aging

- 4 • Kupuna Care (base) \$4,854,305
- 5 • Kupuna Care \$3,877,063
- 6 • Kupuna Caregiver Program \$1,200,000

7 **New Appropriations Requests**

8 Health Resources Administration

9 Emergency Medical Services – Collective Bargaining Request

- 10 • The EMSIPSB FY 2020 and FY 2021 budget request included \$11,872,596 (FY 20) and
- 11 \$15,040,191 (FY 21) for a mandatory union collective bargaining increase.
- 12 • The department has requested that the Executive Budget Request be amended to include
- 13 this appropriation.

14 Emergency Medical Services – Recurring Other Expenses for services providers contracted to

15 provide pre-hospital emergency medical service

- 16 • The EMSIPSB FY 2020 and FY 2021 budget request included \$2,381,815 (FY 20) and
- 17 \$3,642,807 (FY 21) for other current expenses cost increases.
- 18 • The request includes, but is not limited to, costs for subcontracts, drugs/medication,
- 19 insurance, rental of space, meals, uniforms, fuel, repair and maintenance, staff training,
- 20 telecommunications service and equipment, utilities, indirect/administrative overhead,
- 21 equipment, and motor vehicles.
- 22 • The department has requested that the Executive Budget Request be amended to include
- 23 this appropriation.

24 Medical Cannabis

- 25 • As required by Act 159, HRS (2018), the Department is currently engaged in a re-
- 26 organization process to integrate the Medical Cannabis Registry and the Medical
- 27 Cannabis Dispensary Programs into the new Office of Medical Cannabis Control and
- 28 Regulation to be managed directly under HTH595.

29 Family Health Services – Replace Funding for Family Planning Program (Title X)

- 1 • Hawaii's Title X annual grant award has decreased in recent years from \$2,157,300 in FY
2 2016 to \$1,000,000 in FY 2019; and more recent, proposed changes at the federal level,
3 restricts Hawaii's comprehensive approach by limiting family planning services offered
4 to women.
- 5 • This request will institutionalize the HFPP and solidify comprehensive family planning
6 options for Hawaii's men and women regardless of changes in the political environment.

7 Environmental Health Administration

- 8 • Environmental Management Division - Positions and funding for enforcement of non-
9 point source water pollution regulations
 - 10 ○ The six positions will begin implementing Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) §342E,
11 Nonpoint Source Pollution Management and Control. HRS §342E was passed in
12 1993 and DOH has not implemented the law to date.
 - 13 ○ DOH has not implemented HRS §180C-4, Erosion and Sediment Control, which
14 was passed in 1974.
 - 15 ○ Under article XI, §1 of the Hawaii state constitution, DOH has a constitutional
16 mandate under the public trust doctrine to regulate nonpoint source pollution.
 - 17 ○ The federal Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments (CZARA) §6217
18 require DOH and the Department of Business, Economic Development &
19 Tourism (DBEDT) to develop and implement a Coastal Nonpoint Pollution
20 Control Program.
- 21 • Sanitation Branch - Positions and funding for sanitarians and funds for improved food
22 safety
 - 23 ○ To enable the Sanitation Branch to maintain the current inspection frequency and
24 workload to keep up with National Standards.
 - 25 ○ Hawaii is a tourist destination and those visiting, as well as residents, expect that
26 food being served in restaurants and other food service establishments is safe and
27 wholesome.
 - 28 ○ The promulgation and implementation of Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapter
29 11-50 and placarding in July 2014 has dramatically reduced the risk of food-
30 related illness.

- With the positions requested, we will be moving towards staffing levels that will reduce the occurrence of food illness risk by nearly 50%.

General Administration

Office of Health Status Monitoring (OSHM) - Re-engineer the Vital Statistics System

- The Office of Health Status Monitoring (OHSM) is responsible for registering all vital events occurring in the State of Hawaii, which includes the registering and licensing of over 50,000 vital events and approximately 80,000 requests resulting in over 300,000 certified copies annually.
- The Vital Statistics System (VSS) was developed over 20 years ago and is not supportable with today's technology and security features. The replacement of the VSS is to address security aspects of the system, improve customer service and efficiency to register and issue certified copies of Birth, Marriage and Death.

Office of Policy, Planning, and Program Development (OPPPD) - Add Funds for Telehealth Pilot Project

- Telehealth is one of three strategic priorities documented in DOH's strategic plan.
- This request is the third and last for the current DOH strategic planning cycle. The first pilot is in southwest Hawaii, was requested through the Governor's budget. The second is split between Wahiawa and (most likely) east Hawaii, and was a stand-alone bill offered by the WAM Chair. The third as appealed on this form, is to be statewide in part to fill pilot gaps in Maui and Kauai. DOH believes it is important to seed pilots in all counties in the interest of fairness and to learn from the unique circumstances of each county.

Behavioral Health Administration

Hawaii State Hospital Forensic Building – Positions and Funding

- A new forensic building is being constructed at Hawaii State Hospital and slated to open spring 2021.
- The opening of two additional units is projected to occur during Fiscal Year 2023. To ensure quality patient care, additional direct care staff are needed to run these additional units.

1 Developmental Disabilities Division – Increase State match for Medicaid Intellectual and
2 Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) Home and Community Based Services Waiver

- 3 • DDD requests an increase of \$7,702,000 in state funding (which will be used to match
4 \$8,902,000 in federal funds) in fiscal year 2020 and an increase of \$5,814,000 in state
5 funding (which will be used to match \$6,582,000 in federal funds) in fiscal year 2021.
- 6 • This funding will allow DDD to complete implementation of provider rate changes and
7 other improvements to the I/DD Waiver program. Changes to provider payment rates and
8 other waiver policies ensures that the State will be in continued compliance with federal
9 requirements (with the federal government paying for more than half of the cost) and that
10 State residents with I/DD have access to quality services.

11 Capital Improvement Projects

12 Hawaii State Hospital – Maintenance and Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment (FFE) for new
13 forensic facility

- 14 • In FY20, \$1,920,000 is needed to replace chillers in Bldg Q. Assessment by consultant to
15 determine the air handlers that must be replaced immediately throughout the rest of the
16 campus.
- 17 • In FY20, \$6,525,000 is needed to purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment for the
18 new facility. FF&E must be provided prior to the opening of the new facility.
- 19 • In FY21, \$8,997,000 is needed for Hawaii State Hospital Anti-Ligature and Other
20 Improvements.

21 **Offered Amendments:** Amend the name of the program from “safe drinking water revolving
22 fund” to “drinking water treatment revolving loan fund” in Section 3, lines 3 and 4, and
23 Section 4, line 11.

24 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.
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Department of Health
Program ID Totals
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Prog ID	Program Title	As budgeted in Act 53/18 (FY19)				Governor's Submittal (FY20)				Governor's Submittal (FY21)			
		MOF	Pos (P)	Pos (T)	\$\$\$	Pos (P)	Pos (T)	\$\$\$	Percent Change of \$\$\$	Pos (P)	Pos (T)	\$\$\$	Percent Change of \$\$\$
HTH100	Communicable Disease & Public Hth Nursing	A	242.87	2.30	\$ 27,625,184	239.87	3.00	\$ 29,194,357	5.7%	239.87	3.00	\$ 29,292,576	6.0%
		B	1.00	6.00	\$ 726,850	-	-	\$ 13,343	-98.2%	-	-	\$ 13,343	-98.2%
		N	-	15.00	\$ 8,648,246	-	21.00	\$ 8,723,375	0.9%	-	21.00	\$ 8,723,375	0.9%
		P	14.00	25.50	\$ 5,373,696	14.00	25.50	\$ 9,607,365	78.8%	14.00	25.50	\$ 5,607,365	4.3%
		U	-	1.00	\$ 178,291	3.00	1.00	\$ 759,649	326.1%	3.00	1.00	\$ 759,649	326.1%
HTH131	Disease Outbreak Control	A	22.60	-	\$ 1,922,731	22.60	-	\$ 1,947,434	1.3%	22.60	-	\$ 1,947,434	1.3%
		N	31.40	38.00	\$ 11,215,072	23.40	10.00	\$ 18,887,619	68.4%	23.40	10.00	\$ 3,778,582	-66.3%
		P	-	32.50	\$ 4,895,488	-	31.50	\$ 15,587,403	218.4%	-	31.50	\$ 5,141,093	5.0%
HTH420	Adult Mental Hth - Outpatient	A	195.00	150.50	\$ 61,703,356	230.00	115.50	\$ 62,719,100	1.6%	230.00	115.50	\$ 62,726,126	1.7%
		B	-	-	\$ 11,610,000	-	-	\$ 11,610,000	0.0%	-	-	\$ 11,610,000	0.0%
		N	-	5.00	\$ 1,467,581	-	1.00	\$ 2,333,370	59.0%	-	1.00	\$ 2,333,370	59.0%
HTH430	Adult Mental Hth - Inpatient	A	638.00	27.00	\$ 74,630,197	650.50	27.00	\$ 77,946,272	4.4%	777.50	27.00	\$ 87,140,174	16.8%
HTH440	Alcohol & Drug Abuse Division	A	28.00	1.00	\$ 20,149,764	29.00	-	\$ 20,246,936	0.5%	29.00	-	\$ 20,246,936	0.5%
		B	-	-	\$ 750,000	-	-	\$ 750,000	0.0%	-	-	\$ 750,000	0.0%
		N	-	-	\$ 8,535,892	-	-	\$ 8,857,980	3.8%	-	-	\$ 8,857,980	3.8%
		P	-	8.50	\$ 5,806,914	-	7.50	\$ 5,019,276	-13.6%	-	7.50	\$ 6,570,543	13.2%
HTH460	Child & Adolescent Mental Hth	A	158.00	25.00	\$ 43,364,539	170.00	13.00	\$ 44,020,134	1.5%	170.00	13.00	\$ 44,020,134	1.5%
		B	17.00	6.00	\$ 15,093,233	17.00	6.00	\$ 15,133,262	0.3%	17.00	6.00	\$ 15,133,262	0.3%
		N	-	5.00	\$ 1,039,108	-	5.00	\$ 2,329,630	124.2%	-	5.00	\$ 2,339,630	125.2%
		P	-	8.50	\$ 2,318,223	-	8.50	\$ 2,318,223	0.0%	-	-	\$ -	-100.0%
HTH495	Behavioral Hth Admin	U	-	2.00	\$ 2,281,992	-	2.00	\$ 2,281,992	0.0%	-	2.00	\$ 2,281,992	0.0%
		A	45.50	50.50	\$ 6,730,409	45.50	50.50	\$ 6,997,306	4.0%	45.50	50.50	\$ 6,997,306	4.0%
		P	-	1.00	\$ 137,363	-	1.00	\$ 137,363	0.0%	-	1.00	\$ 137,363	0.0%
HTH501	Developmental Disabilities	A	213.75	5.00	\$ 83,368,937	215.75	3.00	\$ 91,875,295	10.2%	215.75	3.00	\$ 89,989,491	7.9%
		B	3.00	-	\$ 1,053,448	3.00	-	\$ 1,063,165	0.9%	3.00	-	\$ 1,063,165	0.9%
HTH520	Disability & Comm Access Board	A	11.00	-	\$ 1,020,915	11.50	-	\$ 1,048,420	2.7%	11.50	-	\$ 1,048,420	2.7%
		B	8.00	-	\$ 966,656	8.00	-	\$ 1,043,264	7.9%	8.00	-	\$ 1,043,264	7.9%
		U	2.00	-	\$ 286,003	2.00	-	\$ 292,599	2.3%	2.00	-	\$ 292,600	2.3%
HTH560	Family Health Services	A	107.00	2.50	\$ 31,362,698	115.00	2.50	\$ 34,800,648	11.0%	115.00	2.50	\$ 34,784,520	10.9%
		B	13.00	3.00	\$ 18,310,272	15.00	2.00	\$ 18,439,145	0.7%	15.00	2.00	\$ 18,439,145	0.7%
		N	119.50	14.30	\$ 38,992,602	111.50	11.30	\$ 37,058,582	-5.0%	111.50	11.30	\$ 36,458,582	-6.5%
		P	8.00	19.20	\$ 14,856,705	12.00	11.70	\$ 13,117,887	-11.7%	12.00	11.70	\$ 12,417,887	-16.4%
		U	-	-	\$ 203,441	-	-	\$ 203,441	0.0%	-	-	\$ 203,441	0.0%
HTH590	Chronic Disease Prevention & Hth Promotion	A	39.50	6.00	\$ 7,344,766	41.50	4.00	\$ 7,200,372	-2.0%	41.50	4.00	\$ 7,207,848	-1.9%
		B	-	-	\$ 48,656,356	-	-	\$ 48,656,356	0.0%	-	-	\$ 48,656,356	0.0%
		P	10.50	24.50	\$ 7,846,023	10.50	24.50	\$ 7,387,677	-5.8%	10.50	24.50	\$ 7,164,769	-8.7%
		U	-	-	\$ 1,000,000	-	-	\$ 1,000,000	0.0%	-	-	\$ 1,000,000	0.0%
HTH595	Health Resources Admin	A	2.00	-	\$ 203,309	6.00	1.00	\$ 522,505	157.0%	6.00	1.00	\$ 522,505	157.0%
		B	-	-	\$ -	7.00	4.00	\$ 1,562,034	100.0%	7.00	4.00	\$ 1,562,034	100.0%

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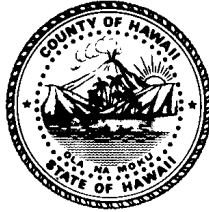
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HTH610	Environmental Health Services	A	129.00	-	\$ 8,630,451	129.00	-	\$ 8,928,221	3.5%	129.00	-	\$ 8,940,534	3.6%
		B	23.00	-	\$ 2,753,804	37.00	-	\$ 3,715,775	34.9%	37.00	-	\$ 4,434,680	61.0%
		N	2.00	-	\$ 158,000	2.00	-	\$ 158,000	0.0%	2.00	-	\$ 158,000	0.0%
		P	2.00	-	\$ 364,150	2.00	-	\$ 364,150	0.0%	2.00	-	\$ 364,150	0.0%
		U	3.00	-	\$ 231,850	3.00	-	\$ 245,963	6.1%	3.00	-	\$ 249,740	7.7%
HTH710	State Laboratory Services	A	72.00	1.00	\$ 7,703,038	74.00	1.00	\$ 9,019,144	17.1%	74.00	1.00	\$ 8,213,396	6.6%
		N	-	-	\$ -	-	9.00	\$ 5,146,110	100.0%	-	9.00	\$ 1,029,222	100.0%
		P	-	3.00	\$ 390,000	-	2.00	\$ 176,112	-54.8%	-	2.00	\$ 176,112	-54.8%
HTH720	Health Care Assurance	A	25.00	2.00	\$ 2,610,719	27.00	2.00	\$ 3,666,363	40.4%	27.00	2.00	\$ 3,666,363	40.4%
		B	-	5.00	\$ 1,311,000	-	-	\$ 421,000	-67.9%	-	-	\$ 421,000	-67.9%
		P	16.00	-	\$ 2,502,450	16.00	-	\$ 4,388,679	75.4%	16.00	-	\$ 4,388,679	75.4%
HTH730	Emergency Medical Services & Injury Prevention System	A	12.00	1.40	\$ 73,810,954	12.00	1.40	\$ 69,366,593	-6.0%	12.00	1.40	\$ 69,366,593	-6.0%
		B	-	6.00	\$ 22,230,234	-	6.00	\$ 22,275,925	0.2%	-	6.00	\$ 22,275,925	0.2%
		P	-	3.00	\$ 630,000	-	3.00	\$ 630,000	0.0%	-	2.00	\$ 340,000	-46.0%
HTH760	Health Status Monitoring	A	33.50	-	\$ 1,626,893	33.50	-	\$ 1,965,390	20.8%	33.50	-	\$ 1,965,390	20.8%
		B	-	2.00	\$ 484,641	-	2.00	\$ 504,643	4.1%	-	2.00	\$ 504,643	4.1%
		P	4.00	-	\$ 342,300	4.00	-	\$ 342,300	0.0%	4.00	-	\$ 342,300	0.0%
HTH840	Environmental Management	A	70.00	-	\$ 5,151,159	73.00	-	\$ 5,559,860	7.9%	76.00	-	\$ 5,764,090	11.9%
		B	63.00	7.00	\$ 79,561,332	64.00	7.00	\$ 79,802,051	0.3%	64.00	7.00	\$ 80,364,007	1.0%
		N	31.60	2.00	\$ 9,538,948	32.10	2.00	\$ 13,444,878	40.9%	32.10	2.00	\$ 5,002,918	-47.6%
		P	9.40	4.00	\$ 1,864,920	8.90	4.00	\$ 5,003,083	168.3%	8.90	4.00	\$ 1,415,181	-24.1%
		U	2.00	-	\$ 235,454	2.00	-	\$ 241,782	2.7%	2.00	-	\$ 241,782	2.7%
HTH849	Environmental Health Admin	W	31.00	-	\$ 208,801,050	39.00	-	\$ 209,120,978	0.2%	39.00	-	\$ 209,120,978	0.2%
		A	24.00	1.25	\$ 3,776,299	24.00	1.25	\$ 3,870,454	2.5%	24.00	1.25	\$ 3,870,454	2.5%
		B	0.50	-	\$ 77,234	0.50	-	\$ 79,580	3.0%	0.50	-	\$ 79,580	3.0%
		N	3.40	0.60	\$ 296,103	3.40	0.60	\$ 238,834	-19.3%	3.40	0.60	\$ 238,834	-19.3%
		P	12.10	3.15	\$ 4,426,797	12.10	3.15	\$ 2,754,751	-37.8%	12.10	3.15	\$ 2,809,500	-36.5%
		W	14.00	-	\$ 2,793,662	14.00	-	\$ 2,844,267	1.8%	14.00	-	\$ 2,844,267	1.8%
HTH850	Office of Environmental Quality Control	A	5.00	-	\$ 392,774	5.00	-	\$ 410,149	4.4%	5.00	-	\$ 410,149	4.4%
HTH904	Executive Office on Aging	A	8.54	2.35	\$ 15,024,319	9.54	2.35	\$ 14,470,219	-3.7%	9.54	2.35	\$ 14,496,697	-3.5%
		N	6.46	2.00	\$ 7,087,531	6.46	2.00	\$ 7,680,000	8.4%	6.46	2.00	\$ 7,680,000	8.4%
		P	-	8.00	\$ 1,223,791	-	8.00	\$ 1,223,791	0.0%	-	8.00	\$ 1,223,791	0.0%
HTH905	Developmental Disabilities Council	A	2.50	-	\$ 230,932	2.50	-	\$ 238,005	3.1%	2.50	-	\$ 238,005	3.1%
		N	5.00	-	\$ 498,981	5.00	-	\$ 514,000	3.0%	5.00	-	\$ 514,000	3.0%
HTH906	State Hth Planning & Dev Agency	A	6.00	-	\$ 560,711	6.00	-	\$ 590,549	5.3%	6.00	-	\$ 590,549	5.3%
		B	-	-	\$ 114,000	-	-	\$ 114,000	0.0%	-	-	\$ 114,000	0.0%
HTH907	General Administration	A	124.50	5.00	\$ 11,023,468	127.00	5.00	\$ 10,339,367	-6.2%	127.00	5.00	\$ 10,315,495	-6.4%
		B	-	-	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	0.0%	-	-	\$ -	0.0%
		N	-	-	\$ -	-	8.00	\$ 24,054,695	100.0%	8.00	20.00	\$ 4,810,939	100.0%
		P	-	5.00	\$ 913,074	-	5.00	\$ 800,000	-12.4%	-	5.00	\$ 800,000	-12.4%
HTH908	Office of Language Access	A	5.00	-	\$ 399,137	5.00	-	\$ 469,261	17.6%	5.00	-	\$ 469,262	17.6%

**Department of Health
Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Requests**

<u>Prog ID</u>	<u>Prog ID</u> <u>Priority</u>	<u>Dept- Wide</u> <u>Priority</u>	<u>Senate</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Rep.</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>MOF</u>	<u>FY20 \$\$\$</u>	<u>FY21 \$\$\$</u>
HTH100	1	1	7	13	KALALUPAPA SETTLEMENT IMPROVEMENTS, MOLOKAI	C	2,100,000	
HTH907	1	2	0	0	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HEALTH AND SAFETY, STATEWIDE	C	1,945,000	14,414,000
HTH710	1	3	17	35	HAWAII STATE LABORATORIES IMPROVEMENTS, STATEWIDE	C	4,683,000	8,172,000
HTH430	1	4	24	49	HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY, OAHU	C	8,445,000	8,997,000
HTH840	1	5	0	0	WASTEWATER TREATMENT REVOLVING FUND FOR POLLUTION CONTROL, STATEWIDE	C	2,487,000	2,487,000
HTH840	1	6	0	0	WASTEWATER TREATMENT REVOLVING FUND FOR POLLUTION CONTROL, STATEWIDE	N	12,431,000	12,431,000
HTH840	1	7	0	0	SAFE DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND, STATEWIDE	C	2,221,000	2,221,000
HTH840	1	8	0	0	SAFE DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND, STATEWIDE	N	11,107,000	11,107,000
HTH907	2	9	0	0	ENERGY SAVINGS IMPROVEMENTS, STATEWIDE	C	1,696,000	2,406,000
HTH907	3	10	0	0	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE, STATEWIDE	C	1,647,000	6,873,000
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January 28, 2019

Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment
Honorable Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
Honorable Senator Russel E. Ruderman, Vice Chair
Submission via online testimony

RE: **Support of SB 234**
Hearing Date/Time: February 1, 2019 at 1:15 p.m.

Dear Senators:

As the Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, Water, Energy, and Environmental Management for the Hawai'i County Council, I thank you for the opportunity to submit **testimony in SUPPORT of SB 234**. It is important that funds are appropriated for capital improvement projects of the Department of Health for statewide pollution control.

Please feel free to contact me should you need to discuss my position and knowledge of this matter further.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chair Gabbard and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill 234 Relating to Department of Health

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) supports Senate Bill (SB) 234, which appropriates funds to the Department of Health (DOH) for capital improvement projects related to both drinking water and clean water projects.

The DOH has provided BWS with funding for its water system infrastructure and improvements to the Honouliuli Recycled Water Facility. The DOH Safe Drinking Water Branch provides low interest loans to the BWS through its State Revolving Fund (SRF) and prioritizes projects to address serious risks to human health, comply with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and promote affordability. The SRF provided financial assistance for capital infrastructure improvements, which include a variety of projects such as source, treatment, transmission, storage and energy efficiency. Currently, BWS primarily uses Drinking Water SRF for pipelines and energy efficiency. The BWS's Energy Savings Performance Contract (ESPC) project will lower electric costs as well as reduce dependence on fossil fuel.

The BWS also used the Clean Water SRF to upgrade the recycled water facility to help sustain potable water resources. Over the past fourteen (14) years, these program funds have provided over \$120 million in loans to keep Oahu's water safe and affordable.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony on SB 234.

Very truly yours,

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