

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 838  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 838, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow person-centered support plans under the Kupuna Caregivers Program to be developed by care recipients and their qualified caregivers and to allow qualified caregivers to remain in the workforce;
- (2) Relax the thirty-hour per week employment requirement for qualified caregivers under the Kupuna Caregivers Program during a Governor-declared state of emergency;
- (3) Allow the Kupuna Caregivers Program to be delivered through either traditional service delivery or kupuna caregiver-directed services;
- (4) Clarify that service providers and coaches are mandated reporters who have received Adult Protective Services training;

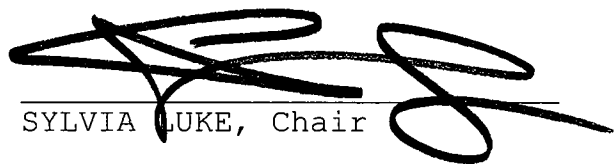


- (5) Allow the funds under the Kupuna Caregivers Program to be issued to the care recipient's financial management service provider; and
- (6) Require the Executive Office on Aging to submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding the Kupuna Caregivers Program and adopt administrative rules for the purposes of regulating the Kupuna Caregivers Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, Rainbow Family 808, AARP Hawai'i, Aloha Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, and nineteen individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Executive Office on Aging and Hawaii Alliance for Retired Americans.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 838, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Finance,

  
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SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



