

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3519

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 29 2022

RE: S.R. No. 206
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.R. No. 206 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO RESTORE FUNDING FOR CERTAIN SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2022-2023 AND 2023-2024 FOR RESIDENTIAL, OUTPATIENT, AND ADOLESCENT SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Health to restore funding for certain substance use disorder treatment agencies for the fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 for residential, outpatient, and adolescent school-based services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that studies indicate that residential treatment programs have proven to be the most effective treatment for patients suffering from chronic and severe substance use disorders and that there are very limited alternative interventions that could meet this special population's needs. Your Committee further finds that substance abuse treatment programs in schools can provide important interventions for youths, thereby strengthening families, and empowering



communities. There are several adult treatment and school-based adolescent services for persons suffering from substance use disorders in the State that formerly received funding from the Department of Health but whose funding was lost due to the Department's budget cuts. These adult treatment and school-based adolescent services include Hina Mauka (The Alcoholic Rehabilitation Services of Hawaii); The Salvation Army Addiction Treatment Services; The Salvation Army Family Treatment Services; Po'ailani, Inc.; and Aloha House, Malama Family Recovery Center, and Maui Youth & Family Services. Your Committee finds that these services achieved excellent outcomes and are critical to improving access to care for youth and adults with substance use disorders. This measure requests the Department of Health to restore funding to these organizations and programs for fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending its title; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 206, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 206, S.D. 1.

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



JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



