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Governor Signs Bill to Support Long-Term Care Facilities

Honolulu- Today Governor Neil Abercrombie signed Senate Bill (SB) 2466, Relating to Long- Term Care Facilities, into law. The measure establishes the nursing facility sustainability program special fund.

The revenue generated by SB 2466 will ensure that long-term care facilities in Hawaii will be compensated for their services to Medicaid patients and the uninsured. This measure also will assist the State and the Department of Human Services in maintaining and providing medical assistance to those in need.

“Long-term care facilities in Hawaii have faced major financial challenges in providing quality health care for our residents,” said Senate Committee on Human Services Chair Suzanne Chun Oakland. “These challenges have been largely a result of payments to Medicaid enrollees for care not covered by the actual cost of care. This measure will help to improve the quality of life for Hawaii’s residents by making certain that Medicaid recipients have access to health care.”

(Photo Courtesy: Senate Communications)

(Photo Caption: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland joins Governor Abercrombie for the signing of Senate Bill 2466 into law.)

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