

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

951

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 700

H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 700, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a Cognitive Assessments for Medicare Beneficiaries Pilot Program within the Executive Office on Aging to provide certain Medicare Part B beneficiaries with a cognitive assessment for the early detection of dementia; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to the Executive Office on Aging for the costs associated with the data management and reporting requirements of the pilot program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; State Health Planning and Development Agency; AARP Hawai'i; Hawaii Disability Rights Center; Hawai'i Primary Care Association; Hawai'i Psychological Association; Hawai'i Parkinson Association; Hawaii Pacific Neuroscience; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Executive Office on Aging; State Council on Mental Health; Hawaii State Council on Developmental

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Disabilities; Healthcare Association of Hawaii; and Alzheimer's Association-Hawaii.

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 H.B. No. 700, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



