



HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS

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Quality Healthcare For All

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HOMELESSNESS

Rep. Della Au Belatti, Chair

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Via Videoconference

Conference Room 329

Testimony in Support of House Bill 836

RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY OF THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION. Appropriates moneys to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to retain the services of a consultant to prepare a financial sustainability plan for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation and its member regions. Appropriates moneys.

Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H.

President and Chief Executive Officer

Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Corporate Board of Directors, thank you for the opportunity to present testimony **in support of H.B. 836** that appropriates moneys to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to retain the services of a consultant to prepare a financial sustainability plan for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation and its member regions.

HHSC believes that looking at different strategies to support HHSC's mission to provide accessible, high quality, cost-effective services that address the healthcare needs of Hawaii's unique island communities would be beneficial in determining the best path forward to address the significant challenges that face HHSC's facilities in providing healthcare services to the rural populations in the State of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify before this committee **in support** of this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ruth Love	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Finance consultant is going to recommend eliminating labor expenses which is not always safe for patient care. Finance is all about time-motion studies and efficiency. That doesn't factor in things like singing a child's favorite song to help them through pain or just sitting with your dying patient and holding their hand because they are scared.

Thank you,

Mrs Ruth Love