

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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GOV MSG. NO. 240

The Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Bunda:

I am requesting your immediate consideration and passage of Senate Bill 2338, which makes an emergency appropriation of \$6,807,562 in general funds in Fiscal Year 2005-2006 to cover expenses pursuant to the Medicaid Home and Community Based Service Waiver Program for services to persons with developmental disabilities and/or mental retardation.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. The Department of Health is available to answer any questions you or your staff may have.

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

c: The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means