Honolulu, Hawaii

F. 47, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2043 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Human Services and Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2043 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to expand healthcare coverage for the needy by:

- (1) Raising the medically needy standard for the QUEST-spenddown Program (Program) to an amount that is equal to the current federal poverty level for a family of applicable size; and
- (2) Appropriating funds for the Program.

The Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, National Association of Social Workers, Hawaii Chapter, and Blueprint for Change submitted testimony in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services (DHS) submitted comments.

Your Committees have amended this bill by requiring that DHS set the medically needy standard to the maximum amount allowed under federal Medicaid requirements.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2043, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2043, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Human Services and Health,

DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair

ALEX M. SONSON, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:	31/06					
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Committee Referral: HUS/HLT, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.						
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments						
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3. ARAKAKI, Dennis A.							
4. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	√						
5. HALE, Heléne H.							
6. KAHIKINA, Michael Puamamo							
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8. HALFORD, Chris							
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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.:	3	Date:	1/31/06					
Committee Referral: HUS	3/HLT, FIN	The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.						
The recommendation is to:	☐ Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments						
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4. HALE, Heléne H.								
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