STAND. COM. REP. NO. 353 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 15, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2438

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2438 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOANS FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish in the Department of Health the rural area health professionals loan fund that will extend interest-free loans for residential purchases by qualified licensed physicians and advance practice registered nurses in qualified rural areas.

The Department of Health provided testimony in opposition to this measure. The Hawaii Health Systems Corporation provided testimony in strong support of this measure, indicating that the measure would provide an outstanding incentive for physicians and advance practice registered nurses to live and work in rural areas of Hawaii where the physician specialist shortage is most severe.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2438 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

DENNIS A ARAKAKI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.:	B 2438	Date:	2/13/06		
Committee Referral: HLT, FIN		☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended		☐ Pass, with amendments			
	☐ Hold	□ R	ecommit		
HLT Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ARAKAKI, Denni	is A. (C)				
2. GREEN, Josh, M.	D. (VC)				
3. CABANILLA, Rio	da T.R.				
4. HALE, Heléne H.					
5. NISHIMOTO, Sec	ott Y.				
6. SONSON, Alex M	•				
7. HALFORD, Chris					
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The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopte					
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Vice Chair's or designee	's signature:				
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