Honolulu, Hawaii

May 1 , 2007

RE:

H.B. No. 1359

H.D. 1 S.D. 2 C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1359, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to improve access to prescription drugs by:

(1) Creating a Hawaii State Pharmacy Assistance Program by merging the current State Pharmacy Assistance Program which coordinates the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit and the Hawaii Rx Plus Program under a single comprehensive Hawaii State Pharmacy Assistance Program umbrella; and

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Requiring the Department of Human Services to take all steps necessary to enable participation in joint prescription drug purchasing agreements with any other health benefits plan or organization within or outside of this state that agrees to participate in a joint purchasing agreement.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1)Inserting an appropriation amount of \$50,000;
- Changing the effective date to July 1, 2008; and (2)
- Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, (3) consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1359, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1359, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

TANIGUCHI.

ROSALYN (H. BAKER, Co-Chair

JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Co-

Chair

MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Co-Chair

ROBERT N. HERKES,

JØHN MIZUNO, Co-Chair

Hawaii State Legislature

Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: HB 1359, HD 1, SD 2					Date/Time: 4/17/7				
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
☐ The Committee is reconsidering its	previ	ous dec	cision	•				***************************************	
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