STAND. COM. REP. NO. 669

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe 516, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1495

H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1495 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR PALLIATIVE CARE RESOURCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve palliative care services by appropriating funds to the Executive Office on Aging to:

- (1) Integrate palliative care into long-term care settings;
- (2) Implement statewide physician orders for life-sustaining treatment;
- (3) Implement a hospice and palliative care resource center demonstration project; and
- (4) Implement statewide assessment of benchmark indicators.

Kokua Mau, Hawaii Medical Service Association, Hawaii Long Term Care Association, Hawaii Family Forum, Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, Hospice of Hilo, Hawaiian Islands Hospice Organization, Hospice Hawaii, Inc., Eldercare Hawaii, and several concerned individuals supported this bill. The Healthcare Association of Hawaii supported this measure with amendments. The Department of Health supported the intent of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Appropriating the funds to Kokua Mau as a grant pursuant to Chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Increasing the funding by 20 percent; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1495, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1495, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fourth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1495	Date:	2-13-1	7	
Committee Referral: HLT, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold	Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration			
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (C)	V			
2. MIZUNO, John (VC)	V			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	V		. 5 % \$	
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	V			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	V			
6. RHOADS, Karl	V			
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.			un alak i	V
8. TAKAI, K. Mark				\sim
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	V			
10. AWANA, Karen Leinani	V			
11. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	V			
TOTAL	9	0	0	2
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral,	committee acronym(rt recommendation	
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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