STAND. COM. REP. NO. 261

Honolulu, Hawaii

Ferg , 2007

RE: H.B. No. 325

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 325 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTAL CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to expand coverage under Medicaid and QUEST to include comprehensive dental care coverage for eligible individuals 21 years-of-age or older and to appropriate funds to provide the additional coverage.

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Mental Health America of Hawaii, Kokua Council, and Life Foundation testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services (DHS) provided comments.

Your Committee recognizes the importance of dental care, particularly for those under Medicaid and QUEST who have received limited dental benefits. Your Committee respectfully urges DHS to actively publicize any adult dental services and programs it offers.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Inserting a new appropriation of an unspecified amount for hospital dentistry for the developmentally disabled community in the County of Hawaii; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 325, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 325, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Human Services & Housing,

MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Housing

Bill/Resolution No.:  JB 325	Date: 2/5/07				
Committee Referral: JASH, FIN	The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments				
☐ Hold	☐ Hold ☐ Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration				
HSH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L. (C)					
2. RHOADS, Karl (VC)	✓				
3. BELATTI, Della Au				<b>ب</b>	
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III				<u> </u>	
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.					
6. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	<u> </u>				
7. MIZUNO, John					
8. TAKAI, K. Mark			##*****		
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane					
10. AWANA, Karen Leinani		The second state of			
11. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.					
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TOTAL	10			1	
The recommendation is:					
☐ Not Adopted					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)					
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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