STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1743 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Jey , 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2542

S.D. 2 H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2008 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2542, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that the community health center system remains financially viable and stable in the face of the increasing needs of the population of uninsured and underinsured residents. Specifically, this bill establishes a process that enables community health centers and rural health clinics to receive supplemental Medicaid payments and seek modifications to their scope of services. In addition, this measure appropriates funds to adequately pay federally qualified community health centers for direct medical care services for the uninsured.

The Hawaii Primary Care Association, Kalihi-Palama Health Center, West Hawaii Community Health Center, Inc., Hamakua Health Center, Inc., Waikiki Health Center, Waimanalo Health Center, Hawaii Pacific Health, Kauai Health Center, and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of Human Services and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

SB2542 HD2 HSCR FIN HMS 2008-3500

- (1) Permitting, rather than requiring, DHS to implement the statutory provisions; 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 Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2542, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2542, S.D. 2, H.D. 2.

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

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee Referral: SB 2542, SD2, HD1 HLT/HSH, FIN			Date: 3-28-2008		
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	V				
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	V				
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	V				
4. BELATTI, Della Au					
5. BROWER, Tom	V				
6. CARROLL, Mele				レ	
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \				
8. HAR, Sharon E.	v				
9. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki					
10. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	V				
11. MANAHAN, Joey	- V				
12. MIZUNO, John	V				
13. NAKASONE, Bob				V	
14. RHOADS, Karl					
15. SAGUM, Roland D., III				$\mid \nu \mid$	
16. TOKIOKA, James Kunane		-			
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose				2	
18. PINE, Kymberly Marcos				w	
19. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	V				
TOTAL (19)	15	0	0	4	
The recommendation is:  Adopted					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Marily 3 Lel					
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