HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW TO DETERMINE WHETHER CASE MANAGERS SHOULD BE CERTIFIED.

WHEREAS, case management reflects a holistic, comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach to the assessment, planning, coordination, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of comprehensive services to optimally meet an individual client's health and social needs; and

WHEREAS, case managers bear a responsibility to professionally and ethically provide services to their clients who are often vulnerable and unable to advocate for themselves; and

WHEREAS, the Commission for Case Management Certification is headed by elected commissioners who oversee the process of case manager certification, is nationally accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, and is the only national accreditation body for private certification organizations in all disciplines, including case management; and

WHEREAS, more than twenty-six thousand case managers have been awarded the certified case manager credential by Commission for Case Management Certification; and

WHEREAS, H.B. No. , introduced during the regular session of 2010, requires that, for a case manager to be certified to practice as a certified case manager in the State, satisfactory documentation of certification by the Commission for Case Management Certification must be received by an appropriate agency; and

WHEREAS, under section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, measures that would subject unregulated professions and occupations to licensing or other regulatory controls cannot be

enacted unless the Auditor has conducted a sunrise review of the specific measure identified through a concurrent resolution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is requested to perform a sunrise review of the regulation of case managers as contemplated under H.B. No. , introduced during the regular session of 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to examine the various state agencies to determine which agency would be best suited to implement the regulation of case managers; and

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 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to submit to the Legislature a report on any findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation, not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the Director of Health, and the Director of Human Services.