

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE:

H.B. No. 880

H.D. 2

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 880, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NURSING FACILITY SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to continue the nursing facility sustainability program by:

- (1) Extending the sunset date of Act 156, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012; and
- (2) Appropriating funds for the program for fiscal year 2013-2014.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Hawaii Long Term Care Association, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Hale Makua Health Services, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, Pearl City Nursing Home, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that the nursing facility sustainability program leverages available federal funding for the Department of Human Services to make supplemental payments to nursing facilities to help offset their uncompensated care costs, thereby promoting the sustainability of long-term care facilities in the State. This measure will benefit Hawaii residents by enabling nursing

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facilities to continue to provide much needed long-term care services.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of June 29, 2013.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 880, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 880, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Human Services HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 880 , HD2		Committee Referral: HMS, WAM		Date: 3/11/13	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)					
GREEN, Josh (VC)		1/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.			-		
SLOM, Sam					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes