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House Committee on Finance

HB 2131, HD 1, Relating to Care Facilities

Testimony of Gary L. Gill Deputy Director of Environmental Health Administration

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

- 1 **Department's Position:** The department respectfully OPPOSES this bill.
- 2 Fiscal Implications: The department would be required to add staff in order to meet this bill's
- 3 requirement. The number of staff cannot be determined at this time.
- 4 **Purpose and Justification:** Most of the bill's proposed requirements are already contained in current
- 5 administrative rules. Chapter 100.1-3(e)(2) requires the department to issue a list of deficiencies, if any,
- 6 following an inspection, and requires the licensee to submit a written plan of correction within 10
- 7 working days to include timeframes for correcting the deficiencies and preventative measures so that
- 8 deficiencies do not reoccur. Further, Chapter 100.1-3(e)(3) allows for additional time to be given to
- 9 licensees in order for them to submit their plans of correction.
- Also, a statutory requirement to establish a response time by the department is imprudent. It could place an unreasonable burden on the department to artificially accept a plan without the benefit of a full review. Nor should the department be required to revise the plan of correction. An acceptable plan of correction is the responsibility of the licensee. The licensee must identify their plan to correct deficiencies in order to comply with licensing requirements. It is not the responsibility of the

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1	department to write or revise any licensee's plan of correction just as it is not be the responsibility of the
2	department to write a license application. A written plan of correction can be considered as part of an
3	application for relicensure. It details how the licensee will continue to comply with licensing
4	requirements.
5	As a result, the department respectfully opposes this bill as unnecessary and imprudent.

6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition.

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<u>HB2131</u>

Submitted on: 2/24/2014 Testimony for FIN on Feb 25, 2014 14:00PM in Conference Room 308

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maria Corazon E. Cariaga	Big Island Adult foster home operators	Support	No

Comments: On behalf of the Big Island Adult Foster Home Operators , we are in support of this bill but please DOH has to give our certification on a timely manner. Thank you for allowing me to send my testimony. Respectfully, Maria Corazon E. Cariaga (BIAFHO)-President

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Christopher Ching in favor of H.B. NO. 2131 Committee on Finance Date: 02/25/2014 Time: 2:00 PM

Dear Honorable Chair Luke and members,

I am writing in support of H.B. NO. 2131 as an advocate for quality of service provided in adult residential care homes as well as community care foster homes.

I believe that with the passing of this bill the measures taken to assure quality of these two facilities will be greatly increased. As well as the procedures the operators will be able to take in which to respond to any negative reports by the Department of Health.

In cases where a care facility is found not to be of adequate condition to continue serving as such, with the current law in place, the operator only has 10 days after the report is made to submit a detailed plan of action to restore it to an acceptable state. Sometimes this may not be enough as some details needed to assure the restoration can be done are not made known until it is too late. Extending the deadline to 30 days will give the care home operators a much more forgiving window to find out all the details and secure a plan of action.

With this bill, the Department of Health would have their window to respond to the care homes submitted plans modified as well. In its current state, the law allows a 1 year for the Department of Health to respond to the plans. This is unfair and leaves the care home operators in a state of limbo or out of order altogether. This ends up affecting those in the care of the operators needlessly.

The amendment extending the time limit in which the care home operators have to respond to the Department of Health with a letter stating the steps they are taking to fix said deficiencies will help the operators significantly. In addition the time limit in which the Department of Health has to respond to the operators plan will help prevent prolonged bureaucracy and swifter restoration of satisfactory conditions.

Please pass the bill to forward an effort to provide better living conditions to those who wish to receive it.

Christopher Ching



THE UNITED GROUP OF HOME OPERATORS (UGHO)

30 years of Excellence Serving our Elderly and Disabled

Testimony on HB 2131for FIN Thursday, February 25, 2014 at 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 308



Aloha Chair Sylvia Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson

and members of FIN.

I am Esther Pascual, President of The United Group of Home Operators (UGHO). UGHO is the longest standing organization representing care homes of ARCH's caring for Hawaii's fragile elderly & physically and mentally challenged. For the past 30 years, UGH0 members have operated residential care homes that provide assisted living accommodations in a stress free, small family atmosphere for their residents including the elderly and individuals with disabilities who otherwise would be unable to care for themselves.

I support of H.B. NO. 2131 to level the playing field for both the Care Home licensees and the Department of Health so each will have adequate but reasonable time to answer and correct deficiencies as well as allowing the Department reasonable time to respond as well.

In cases where a care facility is inspected by a nurse surveyor and is found to be in need of a few corrections, the care home operator only has 10 days after the report to submit a detailed plan of action to restore it to an acceptable state.

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The Caregivers Association strongly supports HB 1693 requiring the state to pay interest on late payments to all caregivers. The people who are tasked to pay the caregivers timely should do their jobs more efficiently. Only recently some caregivers faced mortgage foreclosures because they have not gotten paid by the state for more than three months.

The Caregivers Association also supports HB 1695.

The Office of community Services needs more funds to implement its services more efficiently and effectively. We strongly support HB 1737

HB 2131 benefits both sides. We support this bill

Submitted by: Constante A. Domingo President, Caregivers Association

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Leslie D. Cabingabang	Individual	Support	No

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Tuesday, February 25, 2014

- 1 **Department's Position:** The department respectfully supports HB 2131, HD 1.
- 2 Fiscal Implications: None.
- 3 **Purpose and Justification:** The department had opposed the initial version because the bill
- 4 requirements were unnecessary and imprudent. However, the language of HB 2131, HD 1, are
- 5 acceptable to the department.
- 6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2131, HD 1.

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ADULT FOSTER HOMES OF THE PACIFIC P.O. Box 971450 Waipahu, Hawaii 96797 Caring for the Needs of the Caregivers as well as the Elderly and Disabled

February 25, 2014 2:00pm Conference room 308

 TO: Committee Chair on Health and Finance Honorable Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair Honorable Rep. Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair Honorable Rep. Aaron Ling Johanson, Vice Chair Members of the Committee

My name is Margie Agliam Vice President Adult Foster Homes of the Pacific under DHS Community Care Foster Family Homes representing 1500 caregivers in the community and I was a caregiver for over 14 years.

Strongly Support HB2131- HD1 (HSCR474-14): Relating To Care Facilities- The purpose of this bill is to requires all operators of adult foster homes and adult residential care homes to submit corrective action plans to address deficiencies found pursuant to Department of Health inspections. Requires the Department of Health to respond corrective action plans within sixty working days of receiving the plan. And to amend Section 2 Act 93 Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 by amending section 321-C.

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Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to testify in support of HB2131, HD1.

Yours Truly Marge & Ajian Margie Agliam

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For these reasons we strongly support HB2131,HD1(HSCR474-14). Thank you very much for your support and consideration.

Very truly yours,

Margie agliam (Sos) 677-2201 94-1496 Kahnalou St. Waipahu, 141 96797

Testimony in Support of HB 2131

FIN Committee February 25, 2014, 2:00 p.m. Hawai'i State Legislature



- Measure Title: REQUIRES ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES AND COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES TO SUBMIT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS TO ADDRESS DEFICIENCIES FOUND PURSUANT TO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INSPECTIONS. REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO RESPOND TO CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS WITHIN SIXTY WORKING DAYS OF RECEIVING THE PLAN. EFFECTIVELY JULY 1, 2050.
- To: Chair Sylvia Luke, Vice Chair Scott Nishimoto & Aaron Ling Johanson and Members of the Committee

From: United Group of Home Operators

We are members of the United Group of Home Operators and we strongly support requiring adult residential care homes and community care foster family homes to submit corrective action plans to address deficiencies found pursuant to Department of Health inspections. Requires the Department of Health to respond to corrective action plans within sixty working days of receiving the plan.

We thank you for your time and humbly ask for your support on HB 2131.

Thank you,

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RE: HB2131,HD1(HSCR474-14)-Testimony in Support-HLT,FIN-Conference Room 308 @ 2:00 pm

TO: Committee Chair on Finance Honorable Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair Honorable Rep. Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair Honorable Rep. Aaron Ling Johanson, Vice Chair Members of the Committee

My name is <u>Marivel Billet</u> I hereby support HB2131 HD1 with the following considerations. 1) Thirty working days for the licensee to correct the deficiencies and 30 working days for the Licensing Section of the Department of health give both sides ample time to complete and secure a plan of action. 2) The measure mandates that the primary and substitute caregiver in the foster homes setting be at least 21 years of age. And 3) However, I believe that the substitute caregiver for the above setting could be at least a nurse aid (NA) with a year work experience in any community care setting or medical facility.

For these reasons we strongly support HB2131, HD1(HSCR474-14). Thank you very much for your support and consideration.

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