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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Leahi and Maluhia 2 hospitals, two state-run long-term care facilities within the 3 Oahu region of the Hawaii health systems corporation, have served for many years as a safety net for working class 4 5 Both hospitals serve the highest number of families. 6 individuals on medicare and medicaid, while reimbursements for 7 care provided continue to decline. It is nearly impossible for 8 Leahi and Maluhia hospitals to recover the actual costs of 9 providing quality care without the support of government funding 10 as the current cost of care per person is \$400 per day and the 11 reimbursement per person is \$200 per day.

12 The legislature further finds that Leahi and Maluhia 13 hospitals were forced to cut sixty-four staff positions -- a 14 twenty-five per cent loss in total capacity -- and temporarily 15 halt new admissions to remain operational due to an estimated 16 \$3,700,000 deficit in fiscal year 2016. Furthermore, some



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residents experienced displacement to other facilities because
of reduced services and a loss of seventy-six resident beds.
The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to restore
long-term care services and staff at Leahi and Maluhia
hospitals.

6 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$10,300,000 or so 8 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for 9 the Leahi and Maluhia hospitals within the Hawaii health systems 10 corporation to restore long-term care services and staff that 11 serve Hawaii's working class families.

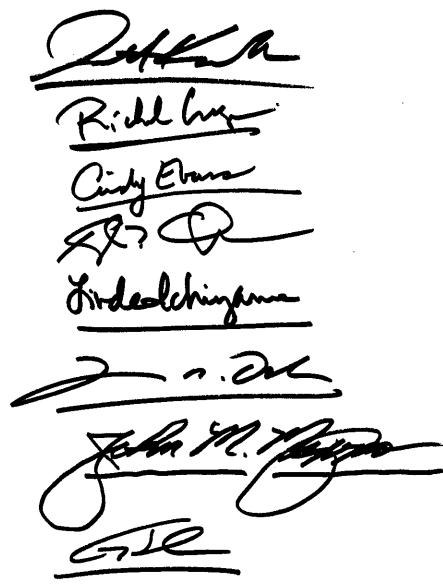
12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii health13 systems corporation for the purposes of this Act.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title: Leahi Hospital; Maluhia Hospital; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation; Appropriation

Description: Appropriates funds to restore staff and long-term care services at Leahi and Maluhia hospitals within the Hawaii health systems corporation.

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