HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2020 STATE OF HAWAII

## H.C.R. NO. 141

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CHANGE ITS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES MEDICAID WAIVER FOR INDIVIDUALS HAVING INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. 1 WHEREAS, the Med-Quest Division of the Department of Human 2 Services works in partnership with the Developmental 3 Disabilities Division of the Department of Health and 4 stakeholders to design a waiver that meets the needs of Hawaii 5 residents having intellectual and developmental disabilities; 6 and 7 8 WHEREAS, both divisions ensure that the waiver is 9 implemented in compliance with all waiver requirements, federal and state laws, and waiver standards; and 10 11 12 WHEREAS, individuals who are eligible for services from the Developmental Disabilities Division, are Medicaid eligible, and 13 14 if they meet the level of care criteria, can apply for the Medicaid I/DD Waiver, otherwise known as the Home and Community-15 Based Services Medicaid waiver for Individuals with Intellectual 16 17 and Developmental Disabilities; and 18 19 WHEREAS, under the current administrative rules of the 20 Developmental Disabilities Division of the Department of Health, individuals are deemed ineligible for the Medicaid I/DD Waiver 21 if their impairments are due to any of several specified 22 conditions such as dementia, mental illness, emotional 23 disorders, substance abuse, sensory impairment, learning 24 disabilities, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, spinal 25 cord injuries, or neuromuscular disorders; and 26 27 WHEREAS, the current administrative rules unfairly deny 28 29 eligibility to an individual who also has an eligible condition





1 such as cerebral palsy; epilepsy; autism spectrum disorder; or a neurological condition, central nervous system disorder, or 2 chromosomal disorder that results in impairment in both general 3 intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior; 4 now, therefore, 5 6 7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 8 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 9 2020, the Senate concurring, that the Developmental Disabilities 10 Division of the Department of Health is requested to change its eligibility criteria for the Home and Community-Based Services 11 Medicaid Waiver for individuals with intellectual and 12 13 developmental disabilities; and 14 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Health is requested to submit a status report on its development of new 16 eligibility criteria, including any proposed legislation, to the 17 18 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of 19 the Regular Session of 2021; and 20 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health, 22 23 Administrator of the Division of Developmental Disabilities, 24 Director of Human Services, and Administrator of the Med-Quest Division. 25 26 27 OFFERED BY: RUMMAN 28

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