

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1046

Honolulu, Hawaii

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, 2021

RE: S.B. No. 838
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, to which was referred S.B. No. 838, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SERVICES FOR KUPUNA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the reduction of the thirty-hour per week employment requirement for qualified caregivers under the Kupuna Caregivers Program during a Governor-declared State of Emergency;
- (2) Specify that the Kupuna Caregivers Program is to be delivered through either traditional service delivery or kupuna caregiver-directed services; and
- (3) Allow the funds under the Kupuna Caregivers Program to be issued to the care recipient's financial management service provider.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Executive Office on Aging, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, AARP Hawaii, Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, Alzheimer's Association, and twelve

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individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that because of the COVID-19 pandemic, many kupuna caregivers lost their jobs, and contracted service providers either closed or decrease their services. Your Committee further finds that this decrease in services by contracted service providers placed additional burdens on caregivers and their caregiving duties. This measure seeks to reduce burdens on kupuna care services by providing additional flexibility to qualified caregivers and contracted providers.

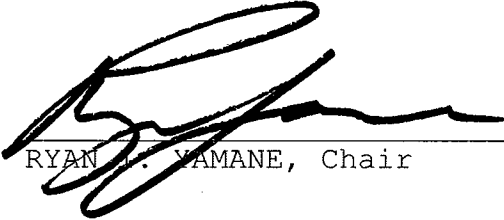
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that service providers and coaches are mandatory reporters who have received Adult Protective Services training;
- (2) Requiring, rather than permitting, the Director of the Executive Office on Aging to adopt administrative rules for the purposes of regulating the Kupuna Caregivers Program;
- (3) Requiring the Executive Office on Aging to submit an annual report to the Legislature on the status of the Kupuna Caregivers Program;
- (4) Amending the preamble for conciseness and to update its amended purpose;
- (5) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 838, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 838, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health, Human
Services, & Homelessness,



RYAN W. YAMANE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 83B, SD1	Committee Referral: HHH, CFC, FIN	Date: 3/16/2021		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HHH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	✓			
2. TAM, Adrian K. (VC)	✓			
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega	✓			
4. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
5. KAPELA, Jeanne	✓			
6. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				✓
7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
8. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (8)	7			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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