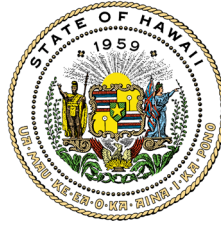


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Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 1486 HD1
Relating to The Kupuna Care Program

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SENATOR DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR
SENATOR GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, VICE CHAIR

Testimony of Caroline Cadirao
Director, Executive Office on Aging
Attached Agency to the Department of Health

Hearing Date: April 4, 2023
10:30 AM

Room Number: 211
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EOA's Position: The Executive Office on Aging (EOA), an attached agency to the Department of Health, **supports HB 1486 HD1**, Relating to the Kupuna Care Program.

Fiscal Implications: This measure appropriates a blank amount for FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025 for the Kupuna Care Program within the Executive Office on Aging.

Purpose and Justification: The Kupuna Care Program assists older adults and their caregivers with much needed home and community-based services to older adults, 60 years of age and older, who have two or more deficits in Activities of Daily Living or Instrumental Activities of Daily Living. Kupuna Care provide services such as personal care, attendant care, chore, homemaker, case management, home-delivered meals, adult day care, transportation, respite care, and caregiver support services.

In FY 2021, the Executive Office on Aging's base budget for Kupuna Care was reduced by \$1.8 million. This bill will make the Kupuna Care Program whole and restore funding to a pre-pandemic level. We appreciate your consideration of this bill.

Recommendation: EOA thanks the committee for scheduling HB1486 HD1 for a hearing and supports this measure provided that its enactment does not reduce or replace priorities with the Administration's budget request.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Testimony to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Tuesday, April 4, 2023; 10:30 a.m.

Hawaii State Capitol, Conference Room 211, and Videoconference

RE: House Bill No. 1486, House Draft 1, RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM

Chair Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Gilbert Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee:

I am Ron Shimabuku, Director of Public Policy and Advocacy for the Alzheimer's Association. We testify in **SUPPORT of House Bill No. 1486, House Draft 1.**

The Alzheimer's Association was established to assist those facing Alzheimer's disease and other dementias by providing local support groups and educational resources while advancing crucial research and public policy initiatives.

Alzheimer's disease is a public health crisis across the country. In Hawaii, approximately 29,000 individuals aged 65 and older live with Alzheimer's disease. By 2025, this figure is projected to increase by 20.7%. In addition, many are experiencing subjective cognitive decline — one of the earliest warning signs of future dementia. In 2020, 6.7% of individuals aged 45 and over reported increased confusion or worsening memory loss, putting them at risk of later developing dementia. More than two-thirds have not talked to their healthcare professional about it.

The bill, as received by your Committee, would appropriate an unspecified amount of funds for the fiscal year 2023-2024 and the same sum or so much thereof for the fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Kupuna Care Program in the Executive Office on Aging. This would take effect on June 30, 3000.

The Alzheimer's Association would like to acknowledge the Legislature's work and commitment to the Kupuna Care Program. In 2022, the Kupuna Caregivers Program was incorporated into the Kupuna Care Program, which added much-needed services and support for care recipients, caregivers, and employed caregivers. We recognize the value that this program brings to the state, especially to those living and impacted by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

With this, we respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this bill.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify. If you have questions, please contact Ron Shimabuku at 808.451.3410 or rkshimabuku@alz.org.



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Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
Room 211

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
RE: HB 1486,HD1 Relating to Kupuna Care Program

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

My name is Keali'i Lopez and I am the State Director for AARP Hawai'i. AARP is a nonpartisan, social impact organization that advocates for individuals age 50 and older. We have a membership of nearly 38 million nationwide and nearly 140,000 in Hawai'i.

AARP Hawai'i supports HB 1486 HD1 which appropriates funds for the kupuna care program within the Executive Office on Aging.

Kupuna Care has been a long-standing program that provides an array of home and community-based services such as home/chore services, transportation and offers respite to family members. It affords families to receive respite care for their loved ones so that they continue to support them to age safely in their homes.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to support HB 1486, HD1.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keali'i Lopez".

Keali'i Lopez, AARP Hawai'i
State Director



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

TO: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means (WAM)

FROM: Rob Van Tassell, President and CEO

DATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 (10:30 a.m., Conference Room 211 & Videoconference)

RE: **IN SUPPORT OF HB 1486, HD1, Relating to the Kupuna Care Program**

Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH) is a tax exempt, non-profit agency that has been serving people in need in the State of Hawaii since 1947.

CCH supports HB 1486, HD1, which would provide add funding to the Kupuna Care (KC) Program which provides an array of in-home and community-based services to help elders remain in their own homes and communities. During the pandemic, we understand that the KC funding in the base budget was reduced by \$1.8M. **We ask that the funding be returned to the \$9M base and that consideration be given to INCREASE the funding further to \$10-\$12M in order to provide adequate services for our growing elderly population.**

CCH provides services for over 4,000 older adults each year and has been a provider of Kupuna Care (KC) Transportation for many years. The social isolation during the pandemic has had a negative impact on the physical and emotional health of our already frail elders. As the pandemic restrictions have lessened, more seniors are returning to in-person medical appointments and engaging in the physical and social activities that help them maintain their wellbeing.

We also hope that additional KC funding will ease the need to restrict these in-home and community-based services. Currently, the eligibility criteria is being defined very strictly and appears to keep frail elders from qualifying for KC services rather than helping to expand the services to serve a wider circle of frail elders in need.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i asks for your support of HB 1486, HD1. For more information or questions, please feel free to contact Diane Terada, Division Administrator.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.



HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/31/2023 8:44:21 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Golojuch	Testifying for Rainbow Family 808	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Rainbow Family 808 supports HB1486. Please pass this bill.

Mike Golojuch, Sr., Secretary/Board

THE KŪPUNA CAUCUS



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TO: THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

CONCERNING: HB 278, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1266) RELATING TO HEALTH

HB 1486, HD1 (SSCR1310) RELATING TO THE KŪPUNA CARE
PROGRAM

POSITION: STRONG SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee

The Kūpuna Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i has a membership of more than 2,000 politically active and aware seniors and we are deeply concerned that these two bills are advanced for consideration by the full legislature.

Alzheimer's disease is one of the most tragic diseases that can affect any human being. There is far too much ignorance within the general community as to the many different forms of this disease and how those forms may present themselves. In such cases the suffering family member may not be taken to a doctor for a formal diagnosis and receive whatever treatments are available to slow the progress of the disease. As the disease progresses the pain and strain on the other family members is debilitating to the family as a whole as well as the sufferer. The more information we can get to the public the better. If people know how the disease can present itself then maybe they can do something about it before feelings are hurt and precious time for love and togetherness is gone forever.

The Kūpuna Care Program is vital if the Department of Health is to keep up with the needs of Hawaii's constantly growing seniors community. Since this program is specifically within the executive office on aging which is also within the Department of Health, we feel it needs specific and individual financial acknowledgement to operate as intended.

The Kūpuna Caucus respectfully requests that the committee pass these bills on behalf of all current and forthcoming Kūpuna

Martha Randolph for the Kūpuna Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii

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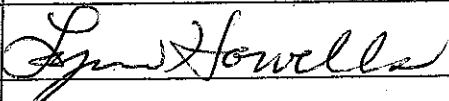
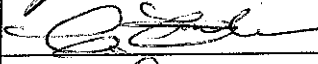
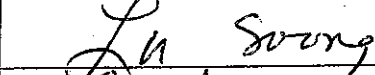

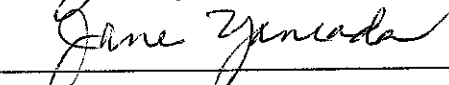
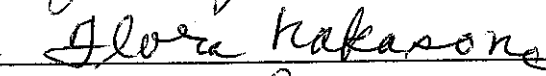


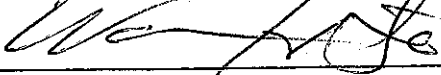
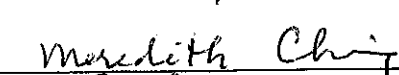

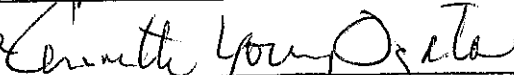

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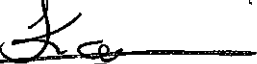
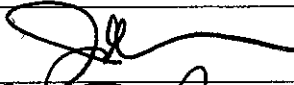

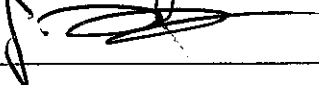


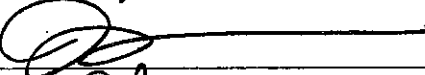


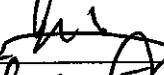
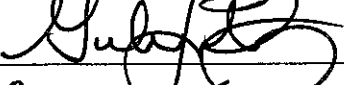
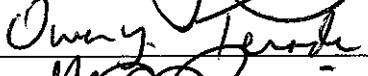

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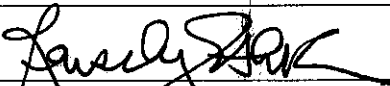

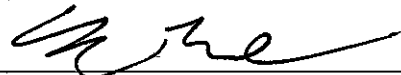



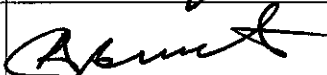
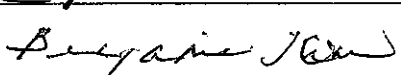




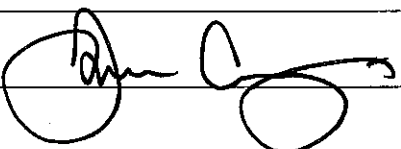
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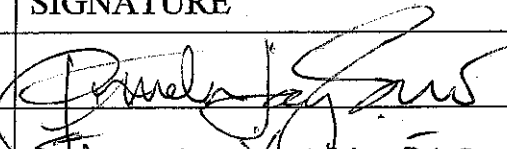

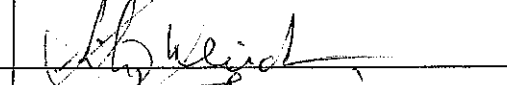


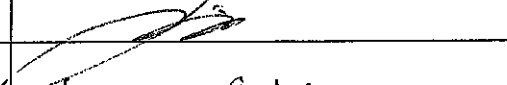
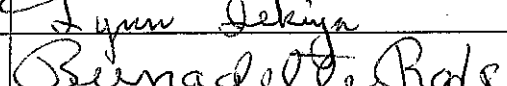
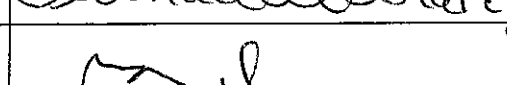
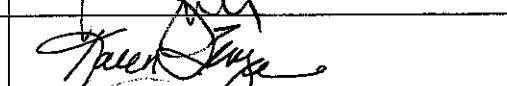
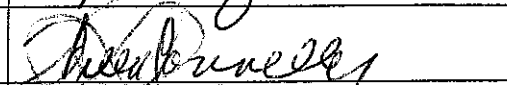
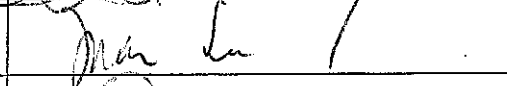


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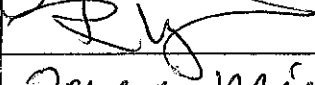
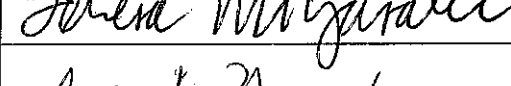
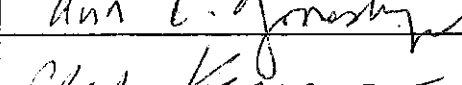
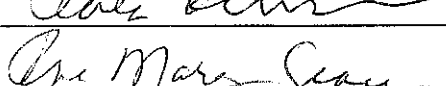
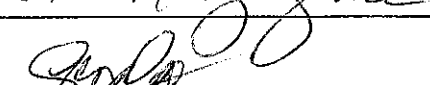
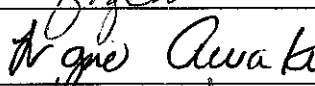

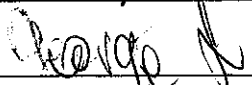
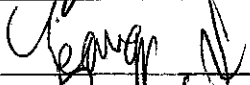

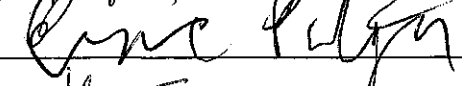
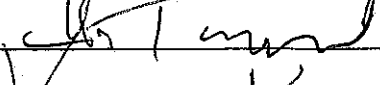
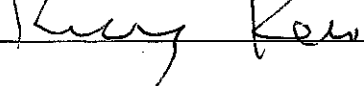
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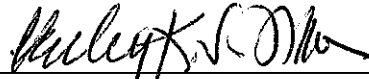
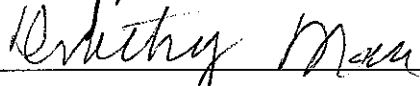
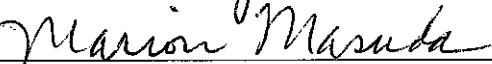
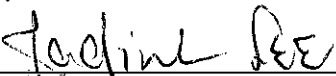
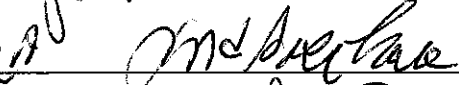

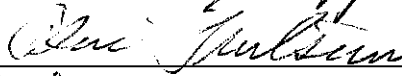

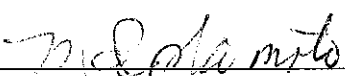
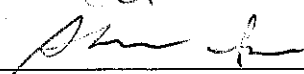
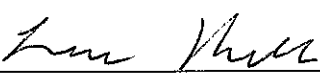
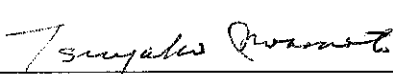

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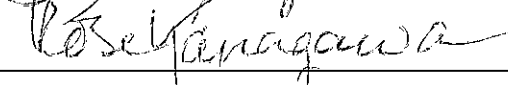
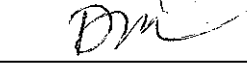

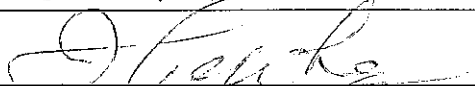

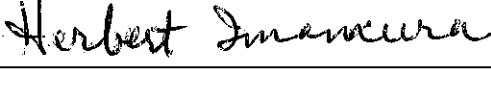
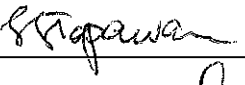

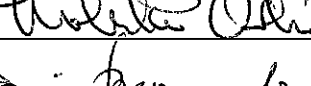
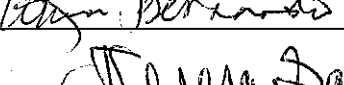
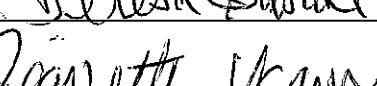

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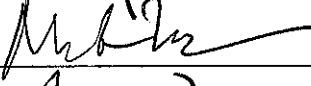
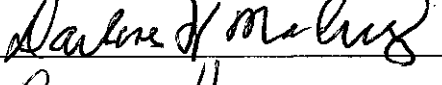
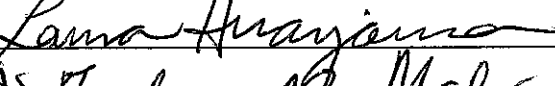

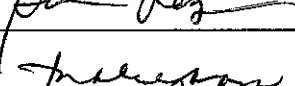
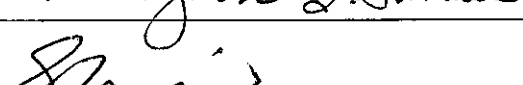


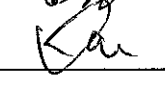



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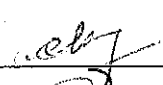
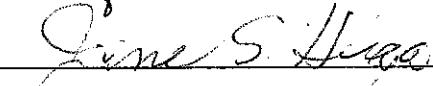
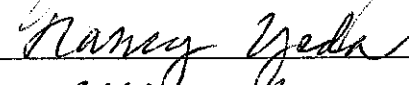

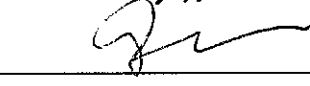


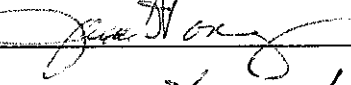
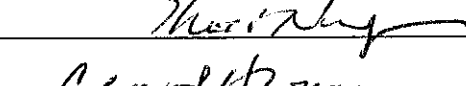
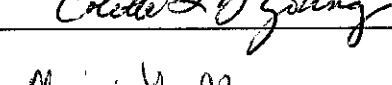
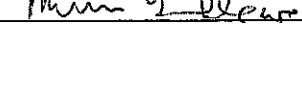
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Submitted on: 3/31/2023 12:24:59 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cards Pintor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,
I support this bill.
Mahalo nui,
Cards Pintor

HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/31/2023 1:35:51 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Karen Seddon	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The Kupuna Care program assists older adults and their caregivers with much-needed home and community-based services. Please support this program with appropriations to maintain this vital mission for our kupuna in need of continuing care.

HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/31/2023 2:55:42 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lisa Diaz	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha WAM Committee members:

I strongly support HB146: RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM:

PLEASE RESTORE THE ~ \$1.8 MILLION CUT IN 2021 THE FROM EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING'S BASE BUDGET TO PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS AND ALSO ENCOURAGE MORE FUNDING FOR THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM.

HAWAII'S KUPUNA ARE IN NEED OF VITAL SERVICES DELIVERED AT HOME VIA COUNTY OFFICE OF AGING PROGRAMS TO ASSIST HAWAII'S WORKING FAMILIES.

- 1. CARE SERVICES ULTIMATELY SAVE OUR STATE MONEY, AS THIS PROGRAM REDUCES EMERGENCY SERVICES AND HOSPITALIZATION, PROMOTING SAFER HEALTH OUTCOMES, WHEN OUR ELDERS CAN AGE IN PLACE AT HOME.**
- 2. THE PANDEMIC WAS DEVASTATING FOR KUPUNA IN CARE HOMES & HOSPITALS.**
- 3. CARE IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT ON HAWAII ISLAND, WHERE WE HAVE MANY KUPUNA LIVING FAR FROM MEDICAL CENTERS, AND THERE IS AN EXTREME SHORTAGE OF CARE GIVERS & AFFORDABLE CARE OPTIONS.**
- 4. KUPUNA CARE IS VITAL TO HAWAII'S WORKING FAMILIES.**
- 5. OUR KUPUNA ARE A VITAL RESOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE FOR HAWAII.**

Mahalo nui loa for your efforts to help our kupuna and their families.

Lisa Diaz

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Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

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HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/1/2023 12:56:09 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dan Gardner	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Senator Dela Cruz Chair and Ways and Means Committee Members. I am asking for your support of this legislation that restores \$1.8 million within the Executive Office for Aging for the Kapuna Care Program that had been removed. This funding will facilitate home and community based services. They will help ensure needed care to enable more of our seniors to continue to safely live in their or family member homes. Thank you.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

AMENDED NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 10:30 AM

Re: [HB 1486, HD1](#) RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members. My name is Linda Dorset, a senior resident of Wailuku, Maui. I thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony regarding the above referenced legislation. I strongly support HB1486 that appropriate funds to the Department of Health for the Kupuna Care Program.

The Kupuna Care Program assists older adults and their caregivers with much needed home and community-based services. Kupuna Care services include services to support kupuna's activities of daily living (bathing, dressing, toileting, eating, etc.) and instrumental activities of daily living (shopping, medication management, housekeeping, etc.), also personal care, chore, home-delivered meals, adult day care, transportation, respite care and caregiver support services. It allows families to receive respite care for their loved ones so that they can continue to support them to age safely in their homes. And, as stated in the bill itself, between 2010 and 2020, the percentage of the State's population over the age of sixty-five increased from 14.3 percent to nineteen per cent and the number of people over the age of eighty five increased by more than a third. Therefore, please pass this increased appropriation because more funds are needed so that no one will get left out.

HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2023 11:14:14 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Marcia Kemble	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please restore funding for the Kupuna Care program! Hawaii family caregivers often work under a great amount of stress and need our support.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing: Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
Conference Room 211 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

**TESTIMONEY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1486, HD1
RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM**

THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2023

To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair; Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair;
Committee on Ways and Means

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in **strong support** of **HB 1486, HD1**, Relating to the Kupuna Care Program. We need to continue to support programs that help to keep Hawaii's Kupuna healthy and well.

HB 1486, HD1: Appropriates funds to the Department of Health for the Kupuna Care Program within the Executive Office on Aging. Effective 6/30/3000 (HD1)

I urge you to support **HB 1049, HD1**.

Anna Filler
Senatorial District 12,
Email: afiller@twc.com

Testimony to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Tuesday, April 4, 2023
10:30 AM
Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

RE: **In Support of HB1486 HD1 Relating to the Kupuna Care Program**

Dear Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair, and Esteemed Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

My name is Cullen Takai and I am in support of HB1486 HD1 Relating to the Kupuna Care Program. Living on the Big Island of Hawai'i, and having the wonderful opportunity to have worked with our kūpuna for many years in a facility setting, I have been able to witness firsthand just how crucial the Kupuna Care Program has been in providing essential services to our older adults in the community.

The Kupuna Care Program also assists our State's older adult population who may not qualify for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) through Medicaid; who at the same time, have insufficient income and assets to pay out-of-pocket for essential HCBS services; such as personal and homemaker type of services, and so much more.

HB1486 HD1 brings to light that, "between 2010 and 2020, the percentage of the State's population over the age of sixty-five increased from 14.3 per cent to nineteen per cent and is projected to reach 22.6 per cent by 2030." This signifies that our State's older adult population already constitutes close to one-fifth of the total population, and is projected to continually increase in the years to come.

Appropriation of funding for this program contributes to our kūpuna having a higher quality of life; while also providing critical services to remain safe and independent in the community.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

Cullen Takai
Big Island Resident

March 18, 2023

TO:

Committee on Health and Human Services
Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senator Henry J. C. Aquino, Vice Chair

RE: HB1486 HD1 – Relating to the Kupuna Care Program

Hearing Scheduled for March 20, 2023
Conference Room 225; 1:00 PM

Most Honorable Chair San Buenaventura, Vice Chair Aquino, and members of the Health and Human Services Committee:

I support HB1486 HD 1.

This long-running – successful - program for Kupuna Care has provided much-needed services to support Kupuna who wish to live in their home environment. Activities of a kupuna’s daily living need to be supported by caregivers specializing in the care of Kupuna, and the funding needed for this program is instrumental to its success.

Please vote affirmative to provide additional funding to the Department of Health for the Kupuna Care Program within the Executive Office of Aging.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify for this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Olah
Resident of the State of Hawaii

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HB-1486-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/4/2023 8:14:41 AM
Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2023 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Diane Ware	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As a senior citizen I know how difficult it can be to get by in this state and I have a nubero of senior friends that live so marginally I fear for their well-being and lives.

Please pass this important bill to help Kupuna.