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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE COMMUNITY CARE
FOSTER FAMILY HOMES IN THE STATE TO ACCEPT INDIVIDUALS WHO
ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THE STATE'S
MEDICAID I/DD WAIVER PROGRAM.

1 WHEREAS, a Community Care Foster Family Home (CCFFH) is a
2 home that is regulated and certified by the Department of Health
3 to provide, for a fee, twenty-four-hour living accommodations,
4 including personal care and homemaker services, to certain
5 individuals who need nursing facility level of care; and
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7 WHEREAS, CCFFH is a more affordable alternative to
8 institutionalized care, such as intermediate care facilities or
9 skilled nursing facilities, enabling individuals to receive care
10 and support in their own homes and communities; and
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12 WHEREAS, Medicaid is a jointly funded, federal-state health
13 insurance program for individuals with limited income and
14 resources who meet eligibility requirements; and
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16 WHEREAS, the State's Medicaid program, also known as Med-
17 QUEST, is administered by the Med-Quest Division of the
18 Department of Human Services; and
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20 WHEREAS, Medicaid's Home- and Community-Based Services
21 (HCBS) waiver program, established pursuant to section 1915(c)
22 of the federal Social Security Act, allows states to waive
23 certain Medicaid requirements to provide medical assistance to
24 eligible individuals in the form of reimbursing HCBS providers
25 for part or all of the costs for their services; and
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27 WHEREAS, the Med-Quest Division works in partnership with
28 the Developmental Disabilities Division of the Department of
29 Health to design and implement the State's HCBS waiver program



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1 (Medicaid I/DD waiver program) that meets the needs of its
2 residents with intellectual or developmental disabilities; and
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4 WHEREAS, there is an insufficient number of CCFFHs in the
5 State that accept individuals eligible for assistance under the
6 State's Medicaid I/DD waiver program; now, therefore,
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8 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
9 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
10 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
11 Human Services and Department of Health are requested to
12 establish a program to incentivize Community Care Foster Family
13 Homes in the State to accept individuals who are eligible for
14 assistance pursuant to the State's Medicaid I/DD waiver program;
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human
19 Services and Director of Health.
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OFFERED BY: 

