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TO: THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senator Angus L.K. McKelvey, Vice Chair
And Honorable Members

FROM: John C. (Jack) Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA, and Sr. Advisor to
Governor Josh Green, MD on Healthcare Innovation

**RE: GM 558 -- Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the
Statewide Health Coordinating Council for a term to expire
06-30-2029**

HEARING: Friday, March 6, 2026 @ 1:00 pm, Room 225 & Videoconference

POSITION: The State Health Planning and Development Agency supports the
nomination and confirmation of Ms. Amy Feeley-Austin to the Statewide
Health Coordinating Council (SHCC)

Testimony:

GM558 is in consideration of the Senate confirmation of Gubernatorial nominee,
Ms. Amy Feeley-Austin for the SHPDA Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC).

Ms. Feeley-Austin is presently Chief Operating Officer of Kona Community
Hospital. She was former Executive Director of the Hawai'i Health Network; former
Senior Director of Quality and Risk Adjustment at AlohaCare; and former Administrator
of the Queens Health System Accountable Care Organization (ACO). She is a proven
leader with executive experience in rural health systems, and she leads operations for
the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation West Hawai'i region.

Her outstanding experience in improving quality outcomes for large and diverse
populations across Hawai'i, and in developing well-recognized culturally grounded
programs her such as Mana Mama, Ke Aloha Mau advancing maternal health, Native
Hawaiian healing practices, and community-based care prepare her remarkably well for
the SHCC senior advisory role at SHPDA.

Ms. Amy is also a strategic architect of large-scale health system transformation, and her leadership in community-driven planning for a new hospital, a much-needed new outpatient center, and regional EMS system upgrades in Kona is very impressive.

Her extensive leadership and service in Hawai'i health system offers a rare combination of operational depth, system-level vision, and community-rooted leadership that directly strengthens the mission of the council.

We respectfully request your favorable support for Ms. Amy Feeley-Austin's confirmation as a member of SHCC.

Mahalo for hearing this bill, and for the opportunity to testify.

- -- Jack Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA

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Testimony for HHS on 3/6/2026 1:00:00 PM

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Comments:

I strongly urge the committee to confirm Amy Feeley-Austin to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council.