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TO: The Honorable Rida T. R. Cabanilla, Chair, and Members
House Committee on International Affairs

The Honorable Maile S. L. Shimabukuro, Chair, and Members
House Committee on Human Services and Housing

DATE: March 17, 2008
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

THROUGH: Darwin L. D. Ching, Director
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

FROM: Sam Aiona, Executive Director
Office of Community Services *SA*

SUBJECT: HCR 128/HR 110

**Testimony Supporting the Intent
for**

**HCR 128/HR 110- Supporting Federal Financial Assistance For Persons Present in the
United States Under the Compacts of the Free Association (COFA)**

I. Overview of Current Proposed Legislation

HCR 128 and HR 110 supports the bills currently in Congress, S. 1676 and H.R. 4000, which would extend eligibility for certain federal benefits to COFA migrants legally residing in the U.S. "The State House urges that these bills be heard and moved out of Committee, to receive the consideration of the full Senate and the full House of Representatives, and further to encourage Congress and the President to enact the bills into law, which would benefit COFA migrants in the U.S. regardless of the states intent of Congress that the relationship created by the Compacts not cause adverse consequences to the states".

The Honorable Rida T. R. Cabanilla, Chair, and Members
The Honorable Maile S. L. Shimabukuro, Chair, and Members
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II. House Resolution

The Department supports the intent of HCR 128/HR 110 for the following reasons:

1. The submittal of HCR 128/HR 110 is recognition of the increasing population of COFA migrants in the State.
2. COFA migrants often arrive in the State with serious social service needs. For example, a significant number of COFA migrants may need financial or food assistance, because of the lack of available resources to them.
3. The Department, as well as the COFA Task Force, acknowledges the challenges COFA migrants face, as do other residents of the state, and is aware that these challenges are especially difficult due to the fact of being non-citizens in a foreign country.
4. The department understands that the task force is continuing to work on solutions to assist COFA migrants. As a member of the task force, the Department is waiting to see what solutions the COFA task force agrees on and will make comments as these resolutions progress throughout the session.
5. The Department thanks the committees for their acknowledgement of the growing concern within our community. We will continue to work with the legislature and the COFA Task Force to help with the needs of the COFA migrants.

September 10 - September 16

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Monday, September 10		Thursday, September 13	
10:00am 11:00am Aloha Aina #31 Final Planning Meeting; Ho Ho's Chinese Rest.		8:30am 10:00am REMINDER Voice of Kapolei & Westside Stories due to Newsletter Committee no later than 13th of the m	
11:30am 1:00pm Malama Honua (WCC - The Pacific Center for Environmental Studies)		10:00am 12:00pm Smart Growth Task Force (RM 309)	
		5:00pm 7:00pm Aloha O Waianae (WHS)	
		7:00pm 8:00pm Kapua	
Tuesday, September 11		Friday, September 14	
8:30am 10:00am NCSL Education Committee Conference Call (IMO - Preparation for the Upcoming Summit in Helena)		6:00am 7:30am REMINDER Voice of Kapolei & Westside Stories due to Newsletter Committee no later than 13th of the m	
3:00pm 3:30pm Meeting w/ Lynn Finnegan (by request) (her office)		8:00am 8:30am NHIS Site Visit	
6:00pm 6:30pm Community Town Meeting - Hosted by Todd Apo's Office: N'Pono from 6 - 7:30 pm.		10:00am 11:00am Women's Health Day event at Waianae Coast Comp. Health Center from 10 - 1 pm.	
7:00pm 8:00pm Kapua		5:00pm 7:00pm Waianae Homecoming (WHS)	
		6:00pm 12:00am WAF Westside Jam (Hawaiian Waterpark)	
Wednesday, September 12		Saturday, September 15	
9:00am 10:00am Tentative meeting with Mrs. Lima on Waianae Valley Road		8:00am 2:00pm Aloha Aina Earth Day #31 (Waianae Boat Harbor)	
1:30pm 2:30pm Tentative courtesy visit with Interim Director of Dept. of Labor, Darwin Ching in our office		10:00am 10:30am Westside Stories & Voice of Kapolei column DUE	
4:00pm 4:30pm PTSA Executive Board Meeting - NHIS (Kimo)			
6:00pm 6:30pm NHIS-SCC Community Meeting #1 (Multi-Purpose / Cafe)			
		Sunday, September 16	

(3) Provide emergency care and social and educational services.

(d) The pilot project shall develop programs to:

- (1) Provide medical check-ups for homeless children upon arrival at homeless shelters;
- (2) Schedule educational activities within the shelter for homeless children; and
- (3) Provide shelter employees with training to address the special needs of children.

The department of human services or the contracted organization may consult with the department of education, department of health, and any other appropriate state agencies to develop these programs.

(e) The pilot project may provide other services or develop other programs that provide assistance to homeless and low-income children and native Hawaiian children.

(f) The pilot project shall cease to exist on June 30, 2011.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to establish a pilot project for at-risk children from low-income households.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act.

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SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to establish a pilot project for at-risk children from low-income households.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

Mahalo nui loa! keala-

