

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

745

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 18, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 582
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 582
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NURSING FACILITY
SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to extend the Nursing Facility
Sustainability Program for one year to allow public and private
nursing facilities to continue to maximize federal Medicaid
reimbursements for care provided to Medicaid and MedQUEST
patients.

The Department of Human Services, Hawaii Health Systems
Corporation, Healthcare Association of Hawaii, The Queen's Health
Systems, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and Hawaii Primary Care
Association testified in support of this measure. The Department
of the Attorney General provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying language included in prior measures relating
to the Nursing Facility Sustainability Program Special
Fund to avoid confusion about permissible allocation of
Fund proceeds;
- (2) Changing the effective date of this measure to July 1,
2050, to encourage further discussion; and

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- (3) 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 that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 582, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 582, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,

Della A. Belatti

DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 582	Committee Referral: HLT, FIN	Date: 2-6-2015		
<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)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. CREAGAN, Richard P. (VC)	✓			
3. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
4. JORDAN, Jo	/			
5. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
7. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	/			
8. FUKUMOTO CHANG, Beth	/			
9. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				X
TOTAL (9)	8			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>				
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