

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2020

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RE: S.B. No. 2342
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, to which was referred S.B. No. 2342, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CAREGIVERS PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support the work of the Kupuna Caregivers Program by:

- (1) Reducing the number of hours per week, from thirty hours to twenty hours, that an individual must be employed to be a qualified caregiver under the Kupuna Caregivers Program; and
- (2) Appropriating funds for proper implementation of the Kupuna Caregivers Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs; AARP Hawaii; Pono Hawaii Initiative; Church of the Crossroads; Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice; Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks!; Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition; Faith Action for Community Equity; Alzheimer's Association, Aloha Chapter; and



four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Executive Office on Aging.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's older adult population continues to rise, with more and more elderly relying on caregivers who provide help to the elderly in the activities of daily living, attendant care, personal care, and transportation, among other services. Your Committee recognizes that caregivers play a critical role in fulfilling an important role and responsibility in communities throughout the State. Your Committee also recognizes that caregivers must take care of themselves and obtain the necessary supports to sustain their own health as well as the health of the family member for whom they are caring. The Kupuna Caregivers Program provides working caregivers with resources and support to care for elders while enabling the caregivers to remain in the workforce. Your Committee further finds that the appropriation in this measure will expand the Kupuna Caregivers Program to reach more caregivers and care recipients.

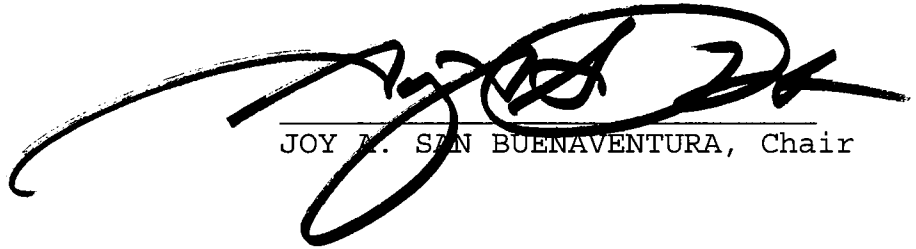
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing language that would have reduced the amount of hours that an individual must be employed to be a qualified caregiver under the Kupuna Caregivers Program; and
- (2) 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 Human Services & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2342, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2342, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services &
Homelessness,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joy M. San Buenaventura', is written over the printed name below.

JOY M. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2342, SDI	Committee Referral: HSH, FIN	Date: 3/13/20		
<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)				
HSH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A. (C)	✓			
2. NAKAMURA, Nadine K. (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
5. MIZUNO, John M.				✓
6. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				✓
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (8)	6			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Nadine K. Nakamura</u>				
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