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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

July 7, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the State Constitution, I am transmitting herewith the following bill with a specific appropriation item stricken or reduced and my official statement of objections to that specific appropriation item contained in the bill.

SB2830 SD2 HD2 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAREGIVING.

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLI

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU July 7, 2008

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2830

Honorable Members Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval Senate Bill No. 2830, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Caregiving."

The purpose of this bill is to effectuate the wideranging recommendations of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving and to appropriate funds to expand existing programs and create new programs and services for the elderly. Specifically, the bill changes the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving to the Joint Legislative Committee on Aging In Place and extends the committee until June 30, 2010. The bill instructs the executive Office on Aging to design a cash and counseling project for non-Medicaid elderly. The legislation expands the scope and funding for the Kupuna Care Program; establishes the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Task Force, which shall cease on June 30, 2009; instructs the Executive Office on Aging to continue its respite care inventory project; and increases the rate of payment for domiciliary care homes.

This Administration recognizes and understands that many Hawaii residents struggle every day to care for aging or disabled parents, extended family members, and children. These demands can lead to time away from work and lost wages. Over the past two years, the Joint Legislative Committee on Family

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Caregiving has contracted research, conducted studies, and held hearings on these important issues.

While I share the Committee's interest in family caregiving, this bill is objectionable because it appropriates money outside of the State's balanced six-year financial plan and approved biennium budget. These funds appear to duplicate appropriations contained in Act 204 of the 2007 legislative session. I am issuing a line item veto of the \$500,000 contained in Part III of this bill. It should be noted that the Kupuna Care Program's base budget for fiscal year 2008-2009 is \$4.9 million. Act 204 of the 2007 legislative session appropriated an additional \$525,000 in general funds outside of the State budget for this program. This bill, SB 2830, would appropriate an additional \$500,000 in general funds also outside of the State's biennium budget.

Section 16 of Article III of the State Constitution provides that, "[e]xcept for items appropriated to be expended by the judicial and legislative branches, the governor may veto any specific item or items in any bill which appropriates money for specific purposes by striking out or reducing the same."

Therefore, pursuant to my line item veto authority, I have stricken out the \$500,000 appropriation from section 7 at line 12 on page 12 of the bill by drawing a line through the \$500,000 appropriation out of the general fund for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the Kupuna Care Program and changing the amount to \$0.

It should be noted that the appropriation of \$289,000 in general funds contained in section 13 of the bill will become law in recognition of the importance of making a modest increase

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in the level of care payments for domiciliary care homes.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 2830 with the appropriation in section 7 totaling \$500,000 in general fund appropriations for fiscal year 2008-2009 stricken out and reduced to \$0.

Respectfully,

LINDA LINGLE (

Governor of Hawaii

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CAREGIVING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	PART I. JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
2	ON FAMILY CAREGIVING
3	SECTION 1. (a) The legislature finds that during the 2007
4	interim, the joint legislative committee on family caregiving
5	continued its work on creating a comprehensive and sustainable,
6	community-based family caregiver support system that includes:
7	(1) A coordinated referral and case management service;
8	(2) Centralization of available services;
9	(3) Volunteers;
10	(4) Education and training; and
11	(5) Financial assistance.
12	During the 2007 interim, the joint legislative committee
13	examined localized studies and surveys, some of which contained
14	preliminary results, which provided concrete evidence of the
15	needs of family caregivers. The joint legislative committee
16	also studied what other states have done and are doing in
17	response to the growing concern regarding eldercare issues.

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1	(b)	The	purpose	of	this	part	is	to:
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- 2 (1) Extend the work of the joint legislative committee on family caregiving for one year and require the committee to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the legislature prior to the convening of the 2009 regular session;
- 7 (2) Change the name of the joint legislative committee on family caregiving to the "joint legislative committee on aging in place"; and
 - (3) Require the aging and disability resource center to provide the joint legislative committee with an update on the physical site for the center in Hawaii county and the "virtual" site in the city and county of Honolulu.
- SECTION 2. Act 285, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, as
 amended by Act 204, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is amended by
 amending section 2 to read as follows:
- "SECTION 2. (a) There is established a joint legislative
 committee on [family caregiving.] aging in place. The committee
 shall be composed of eight members as follows:
- (1) Four members of the house of representatives,consisting of three members from the majority party

1		and one member from the minority party, who shall be
2		appointed by the speaker of the house of
3		representatives; and
4	(2)	Four members of the senate, consisting of three
5		members from the majority party and one member from
6		the minority party, who shall be appointed by the
7		president of the senate.
8	The	committee shall select a chairperson from its
9	membershi	p.
10	(b)	The joint legislative committee shall develop
11	compreher	sive public policy to strengthen support for family
12	caregiver	s. For purposes of this Act, "family caregiver" means:
13	(1)	A person, including a non-relative such as a friend or
14		neighbor, who provides unpaid, informal assistance to
15		a person age sixty and older with physical or
16		cognitive disabilities; and
17	(2)	A grandparent who is a caregiver for a grandchild who
18		is age eighteen years or younger, or who is nineteen
19		years of age or older with physical or cognitive
20		limitations.
21	(c)	The joint legislative committee shall:

Consider providing support in categories including:

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1		(A)	Coordinated services and policies;
2		(B)	Training and education;
3		(C)	Respite services;
4		(D)	Financial incentives; and
5		(E)	Balancing work and caregiving; [and]
6		and	
7	(2)	Expl	ore establishing a paid family leave program under
8		the	state temporary disability insurance law, similar
9		to t	he California Paid Family Leave Program, to
10		prov	ide wage replacement benefits to employees who
11		take	time off from work to care for a seriously ill
12		fami	ly member.
13	(d)	The	joint legislative committee may explore issues of
14	"aging in	plac	e" as they relate to family caregiving.
15	<u>(e)</u>	The :	Hawaii aging and disability resource center shall
16	provide a	n upd	ate to the joint legislative committee of its
17	developme	nt and	d implementation of the physical site for the
18	center in	the c	county of Hawaii, and the "virtual" site planned
19	for the c	ity a	nd county of Honolulu.
20	[-(d) -]	<u>(f)</u>	The joint legislative committee shall seek input
21	from the c	depart	tment of health, the department of human services,
22	the depart	ment	of taxation, the University of Hawaii, the
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- 1 executive office on aging, and the elderly, disability,
- 2 business, and faith-based communities.
- 3 [(e)] (g) The joint legislative committee shall submit its
- 4 findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than
- 5 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of
- 6 2007 [and], 2008[-], and 2010.
- 7 $\left[\frac{f}{f}\right]$ (h) The joint legislative committee shall cease to
- 8 exist on June 30, [2008.] 2010."
- 9 PART II. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CAREGIVING
- 10 SECTION 3. The cash and counseling program is a national
- 11 initiative sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; the
- 12 United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of
- 13 the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation; and the
- 14 Administration on Aging. Under the program, recipients of
- 15 medicaid personal care services or home- and community-based
- 16 services receive a flexible monthly allowance and can decide
- 17 whom to hire and what services to receive. The program's
- 18 innovative approach enables participants to direct and manage
- 19 their personal assistance services according to their own
- 20 specific needs. Participants can choose a family member or
- 21 friend, in lieu of an agency worker, to provide the services.
- 22 They receive counseling and fiscal assistance to help them

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- 1 manage their allowance and responsibilities. The program was
- 2 first implemented in Arkansas, New Jersey, and Florida, and has
- 3 since expanded to include other states.
- 4 During the 2007 interim, the joint legislative committee on
- 5 family caregiving received information and data related to the
- 6 family caregiver needs assessment conducted by the executive
- 7 office on aging, and cash and counseling research conducted by
- 8 the executive office on aging and the University of Hawaii
- 9 school of social work. The family caregiver needs assessment
- 10 indicated that caregivers need more affordable services and
- 11 financial assistance. The cash and counseling research
- 12 demonstrated that those states that have cash and counseling
- 13 programs reported high satisfaction by both caregivers and care
- 14 recipients and allowed informal caregivers to receive financial
- 15 recognition for their services.
- In Hawaii, there are out-of-pocket costs for families to
- 17 pay for home- and community-based programs that are available
- 18 for elders and persons with disabilities. The government pays
- 19 for services for those who have lower incomes and qualify for
- 20 medicaid. However, a majority of Hawaii's families are
- 21 ineligible for public assistance and have to carry the financial
- 22 burdens of caregiving. This leaves a gap in services for those

- 1 elders of modest means. As a result, this group of individuals
- 2 has the least coverage in terms of home- and community-based
- 3 services.
- 4 The work on cash and counseling being conducted by the
- 5 executive office on aging and the University of Hawaii school of
- 6 social work will continue until the end of the 2007-2008 fiscal
- 7 year. The research conducted to date shows that a cash and
- 8 counseling project is worth pursuing, and it is essential to
- 9 continue the work in developing phase two of a cash and
- 10 counseling project, which can be completed by the end of 2008.
- 11 SECTION 4. The executive office on aging shall design a
- 12 cash and counseling project for non-medicaid participants to
- 13 direct and manage their personal assistance services according
- 14 to their own specific needs, while enabling family caregivers to
- 15 receive a level of financial recognition and support. In
- 16 designing a cash and counseling project, the executive office on
- 17 aging may consider including a respite care component, a case
- 18 management component, a separate fiscal agent, a personal care
- 19 component, and allowing the consumer to be the employer of any
- 20 service provider, whether an agency or family member.
- 21 The executive office on aging may contract with a qualified
- 22 consultant to assist in designing a cash and counseling project.

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- 1 The project shall include an advisory group to assist with
- 2 the design of the cash and counseling project. To ensure that
- 3 those who have the greatest need and the fewest resources are
- 4 able to use the program, the advisory group shall examine
- 5 whether an asset limitation or restriction on consumers shall be
- 6 implemented in the design of a cash and counseling project.
- 7 The executive office on aging shall report on the results
- 8 of its efforts to design a cash and counseling project as part
- 9 of the joint legislative committee on aging in place's report to
- 10 the legislature pursuant to section 2 of this Act.

11 PART III. KUPUNA CARE

- 12 SECTION 5. (a) On July 1, 1999, the executive office on
- 13 aging launched its statewide long-term care program called
- 14 kupuna care. Kupuna care was developed in partnership with the
- 15 county area agencies-on-aging to address the growing numbers of
- 16 elders with long-term care needs.
- 17 Services provided by kupuna care are intended to help meet
- 18 the needs of older adults who cannot live at home without
- 19 adequate help from family or formal services, and includes
- 20 services such as adult day care, respite care, assisted
- 21 transportation, attendant care, case management, chores, home-
- 22 delivered meals, homemaker, transportation, and personal care.

- Kupuna care was designed to assist, not totally support, 1 Hawaii's older adults to live independently, safely, and 2 healthily for as long as possible. The care may cover United 3 States citizens or legal aliens sixty years or older who are not 4 receiving other comparable government assistance, who need help 5 with activities of daily living (eating, dressing, bathing, 6 toileting, transferring, and mobility), or because they have 7 8 reduced mental capacity, and who are not residing in an 9 institution. Voluntary contributions to the service provider are welcome 10 for any service provided and are used to support the cost of 11 12 care of additional clients. In addition to the services provided to the elderly, kupuna care also offers services for 13 the family caregivers of their elderly clients. As Hawaii's 14 population ages, many more families will be providing higher 15 levels of long-term care to frail and disabled older adults at 16 home. For many family caregivers, their role as family 17 caregiver arises as suddenly as the care recipient's health 18 19 declines, leaving the family caregivers with an immediate need for services, but little preparation or education regarding who 20 to contact for assistance or what services are available to 21 22 In addition, family caregivers may not know who is
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- capable or qualified to provide them with the services that they 1 or the care recipients need. Family caregivers themselves need 2 3 support services, including training, education, and counseling in areas such as caregiving and dealing with end-of-life issues. 4 In addition, there are emotional, physical, and financial 5 costs of being a family caregiver. Younger family caregivers 6 7 are often in critical need of finding ways to reduce the stress caused by caregiving. Respite has been shown to reduce stress 8 and other negative consequences of caregiving. The State of 9 Hawaii Caregivers Need Assessment (2007) indicates that respite 10 11 is something that family caregivers need. Besides the everyday stress that respite can relieve, there are times when a family 12 caregiver may unexpectedly be unable to provide the needed 13 caregiving services due to the family caregiver's own illness, 14 accident, or other reasons. At these times, emergency respite 15 care becomes critical. 16 The needs assessment also indicates that family caregivers 17 need financial support as they carry the heavy financial burdens 18 19 of caring for a loved one. In addition, both family caregivers 20 and care recipients need financial assistance to make necessary home modifications that enable the care recipient to age in 21
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1	The	legis	slature finds that the kupuna care program can								
2	expand it	s ser	vices and incorporate progressive ways of meeting								
3	the growing needs of Hawaii's older adults and allow these										
4	individua	individuals to age in place.									
5	(b)	In a	In addition to current kupuna care operation and								
6	services,	the	the purpose of this part is to:								
7	(1)	Allo	w the kupuna care program to:								
8		(A)	Offer emergency, overnight, and weekend respite								
9			services;								
10		(B)	Provide grants for home modifications that								
11			facilitate aging in place pursuant to a care plan								
12			as part of a cash and counseling approach; and								
13		(C)	Provide grants to family caregivers pursuant to a								
14			care plan as part of a cash and counseling								
15			approach;								
16		and									
17	(2)	Incre	ease program funding for kupuna care to ensure								
18		that	kupuna care continues to maintain the quality of								
19		life	of Hawaii's older adults and their family								
20		care	givers.								

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1	SECTI	ON 6. The kupuna care program, as administered by the
2	executive	office on aging, may, in addition to its current
3	operation	and services:
4	(1)	Offer emergency, overnight, and weekend respite
5		services;
6	(2)	Provide grants for home modifications that facilitate
7		aging in place pursuant to a care plan as part of a
8	•	cash and counseling approach; and
9	(3)	Provide grants to family caregivers pursuant to a care
10	. 1	plan as part of a cash and counseling approach.
11	SECTIO	ON 7. There is appropriated out of the general
12	revenues o	f the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
13	thereof as	may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to address
14	the kupuna	care program waitlist and for the expansion of the
15	kupuna care	e program, in general.
16	The su	um appropriated shall be expended by the executive
17	office on a	aging for the purposes of this part.
18	PART]	V. GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN TASK FORCE
19	SECTIO	ON 8. (a) Act 204, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007 (Act
20	204), expar	nded the mandate of the joint legislative committee on
21	family care	egiving by including grandparents of children aged
22	eighteen ye	ears and younger, or nineteen years of age or older

- 1 with physical or cognitive limitations, in Act 204's definition
- 2 of family caregiver. The revised definition is now more
- 3 consistent with the scope of the National Family Caregiver
- 4 Support Program. Act 204 also required the joint legislative
- 5 committee to examine the issues facing this population of
- 6 grandparents raising grandchildren.
- 7 Since then, numerous government agencies have testified
- 8 before the joint legislative committee regarding how the
- 9 agencies identify and address the needs of grandparents raising
- 10 grandchildren. In addition, the executive office on aging
- 11 presented the 2007 Needs Assessment of Grandparents Raising
- 12 Grandchildren in the State of Hawaii, prepared by the University
- 13 of Hawaii's department of family and consumer science.
- 14 The needs assessment indicates that, in Hawaii, more than
- 15 14,000 grandparents are the primary caregivers for more than
- 16 33,000 grandchildren, and that these numbers are expected to
- 17 grow. While there is a wide range of service needs within this
- 18 population, the most often-cited are those that relate to
- 19 children's programs, financial assistance, respite, and
- 20 grandparents' rights. Many of these services are available, but
- 21 barriers are preventing grandparents from accessing them.
- 22 Barriers may include:



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1	(1)	A	lack	of	information	regarding	the	availability	of
2		ge	rvice	95:					

- 3 (2) A lack of services in a particular county; or
- 4 (3) Legal or financial impediments.
- 5 For instance, in focus groups, some grandparents expressed a
- 6 fear of losing their grandchildren. Others identified a need
- 7 for an advocate or case worker to help guide them to the
- 8 services and through the various systems.
- 9 (b) The legislature finds that the needs assessment
- 10 provides critical demographic information and feedback regarding
- 11 what programs and services grandparents require to care for
- 12 their grandchildren. The findings indicate that the population
- 13 of grandparents raising grandchildren faces particular
- 14 challenges, different in some ways from the general caregiver
- 15 population, and should have a focused task force to specifically
- 16 address those concerns. The legislature further finds that a
- 17 comprehensive, coordinated effort is needed to identify:
- 18 (1) The services that exist to meet the identified needs;
- 19 (2) Any service deficiencies;
- 20 (3) Barriers that prevent grandparents from accessing
- 21 services; and

What can be done to facilitate the provision of 1 (4) services to grandparents raising grandchildren. 2 The purpose of this part is to establish a task force (c) 3 to focus specifically on the needs and issues of grandparents 4 5 raising grandchildren. SECTION 9. (a) There is established a grandparents 6 raising grandchildren task force to focus on the needs and 7 issues of grandparents raising grandchildren. The task force 8 9 shall consist of a representative of: The University of Hawaii's college of tropical 10 (1)agriculture and human resources to serve as co-chair; 11 Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center to serve as 12 (2) 13 co-chair; The University of Hawaii's center on aging research 14 (3) and education; 15 16 (4)The department of education; The department of human services; 17 (5) (6) The department of health's executive office on aging; 18 The department of public safety; 19 (7)20 (8) The judiciary; The department of the attorney general's child support 21 (9)

enforcement agency;

1	(10)	Each area office on aging;
2	(11)	The policy advisory board for elder affairs;
3	(12)	Na Tutu Coalition;
4	(13)	Legal Aid Society of Hawaii;
5	(14)	Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii;
6	(15)	Partners in Development; and
7	(16)	An individual who is a grandparent.
8	(b)	In assessing the needs and issues of grandparents
9	raising g	randchildren, the task force shall, among other things:
10	(1)	Review the 2007 Needs Assessment of Grandparents
11		Raising Grandchildren in the State of Hawaii, prepared
12		by the University of Hawaii's department of family and
13		consumer science;
14	(2)	Review the most recent Four Year State Plan on Aging
15		submitted to the United States Administration on Aging
16		by the executive office on aging and the area agencies
17		on aging;
18	(3)	Review the testimony of the various agencies submitted
19		to the joint legislative committee on family
20		caregiving at its hearing on August 16, 2007,
21		regarding issues facing grandparents raising
22		grandchildren;

1	(4)	Review laws relating to issues of grandparents raising					
2		grandchildren, including:					
3		(A) Section 302A-482, Hawaii Revised Statutes,					
4		regarding the affidavit for caregiver consent,					
5		which permits a caregiver, under certain					
6		circumstances, to enroll a minor in school and					
7		consent to participation in curricular and					
8		co-curricular activities;					
9		(B) Chapter 571, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding					
10		child custody and support; and					
- 11		(C) Chapter 587, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding					
12		child protective services;					
13	(5)	Review the memorandum prepared by the department of					
14		education to guide school personnel when enrolling					
15		students who reside with caregivers;					
16	(6)	Review the support and services offered to caregivers					
17		by the department of education through its					
18		comprehensive student support system;					
19	(7)	Investigate whether a need arises when a minor					
20		residing, formally or informally, with a grandparent					
21		requires consent for medical service, including when a					

student needs consent for programs and services under

1		the federal Individuals with Disabilities Act or
2		Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
3	(8)	Investigate the issues that arise when a minor
4		residing formally or informally with a grandparent is
5		returned to the custody of a parent;
6	(9)	Investigate any housing issues that may arise when a
7		grandparent is raising a grandchild, particularly when
8		the grandparent resides in senior housing, and
9		identify any state or federal laws or rules that would
10		render a grandparent cohabiting with a grandchild
11		ineligible for housing under a particular scheme;
12	(10)	Review how each area office on aging allocates the
13		federal funds it receives under the national family
14		caregiver support program for grandparent programs;
15	(11)	Identify the agencies that collect data relating to
16		grandparents raising grandchildren and determine
17		whether the data can be more comprehensive, uniform,
18		and readily available or exchanged; and
19	(12)	Identify legal needs and whether these needs are being
20		adequately addressed.
21	(c)	The task force shall submit an interim report to the

legislature and the joint legislative committee on aging in

1	place	no	later	than	twenty	days	prior	to	the	convening	of	the

- 2 2009 regular session and a final report to the legislature and
- 3 the joint legislative committee on aging in place no later than
- 4 twenty days prior to June 30, 2009. The final report shall
- 5 include, to the greatest extent possible:
- (1) A list of the services that exist in each county to
 meet grandparents' identified needs;
- 8 (2) A discussion of service deficiencies in each county;
- 9 (3) A discussion of identifiable barriers that prevent
 10 grandparents from accessing services;
- 11 (4) A summary of the task force's work and any findings
 12 regarding the task force's responsibilities as
 13 detailed in subsection (b); and
- 14 (5) Recommendations, including any proposed legislation.
- 15 (d) The task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2009.

16 PART V. RESPITE CARE

- 17 SECTION 10. The joint legislative committee on aging in
- 18 place has been diligent in its role to strengthen support to
- 19 family caregivers through respite care. The legislative
- 20 reference bureau conducted a study pursuant to House Concurrent
- 21 Resolution No. 187 (2007), regarding how other states address
- 22 the issue of respite care. The report indicates that respite is

- 1 beneficial in ameliorating stress and other negative
- 2 consequences of caregiving. Additionally, a comprehensive
- 3 family caregiver needs assessment conducted pursuant to Act 204,
- 4 Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, indicated that respite care is one
- 5 of the top choices of assistance that caregivers feel would be
- 6 helpful.
- 7 Respite care can relieve the everyday stress of providing
- 8 round-the-clock care. However, there are times when emergency
- 9 respite care becomes critical in instances where a family
- 10 caregiver is unexpectedly unable to provide care because of
- 11 illness, an accident, or other reasons.
- 12 The legislature finds that more needs to be done to
- 13 determine the full inventory of respite care providers and the
- 14 specific types of respite care provided in the State. The types
- 15 of respite care can include planned respite care, short-term
- 16 respite, or emergency respite care. Additionally, although
- 17 respite services may be available, caregivers are not always
- 18 aware that these services are offered or may not know where to
- 19 go to seek assistance.
- 20 The purpose of this part is to request the executive office
- 21 on aging to continue its respite inventory project pursuant to

- 1 House Concurrent Resolution No. 187 (2007), in collaboration
- 2 with the University of Hawaii school of social work.
- 3 SECTION 11. The executive office on aging, in
- 4 collaboration with the University of Hawaii school of social
- 5 work, shall:
- 6 (1) Continue to conduct an inventory of respite services
- 7 in Hawaii;
- 8 (2) Propose a definition of "respite care";
- 9 (3) Establish more detailed descriptions of each of the
- 10 various types of respite services provided in the
- State; and
- 12 (4) Review the legislative reference bureau's 2007 report
- on respite policies in other states to identify the
- 14 most promising approaches for Hawaii to support
- 15 expanding respite services, including how much support
- 16 is financed, what types of respite are provided and to
- whom, and who performs the respite services.

18 PART VI. CARE HOME PAYMENTS

- 19 SECTION 12. Section 346-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 20 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
- "(c) The director, pursuant to chapter 91, shall determine
- 22 the rate of payment for domiciliary care, including care

1	provided	in	licensed	developmental	disabilities	domiciliary	7
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- 2 homes, community care foster family homes, and certified adult
- 3 foster homes, to be provided to recipients who are eligible for
- 4 Federal Supplementary Security Income or public assistance, or
- 5 both. The director shall provide for level of care payment as
- 6 follows:
- 7 (1) [For] Beginning on July 1, 2008, for adult residential
 8 care homes classified as facility type I, licensed
 9 developmental disabilities domiciliary homes as
 10 defined under section 321-15.9, community care foster
 11 family homes as defined under section 346-331, and
- 12 certified adult foster homes as defined under section
- 321-11.2, the state supplemental payment shall not
- 14 exceed [\$641.90;] \$651.90; and
- 15 (2) [For] Beginning on July 1, 2008, for adult residential
- 16 care homes classified as facility type II, the state
- supplemental payment shall not exceed [\$749.90;]
- **18** \$759.90. [and
- 19 (3) For skilled nursing facilities and intermediate
- 20 facilities, the state supplemental payment shall not
- 21 exceed \$20.]

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- 1 If the operator does not provide the quality of care
- 2 consistent with the needs of the individual to the satisfaction
- 3 of the department, the department may remove the recipient to
- 4 another facility.
- 5 The department shall handle abusive practices under this
- 6 section in accordance with chapter 91.
- 7 Nothing in this subsection shall allow the director to
- 8 remove a recipient from an adult residential care home or other
- 9 similar institution if the recipient does not desire to be
- 10 removed and the operator is agreeable to the recipient
- 11 remaining, except where the recipient requires a higher level of
- 12 care than provided or where the recipient no longer requires any
- 13 domiciliary care."
- 14 SECTION 13. There is appropriated out of the general
- 15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$289,000 or so much
- 16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for
- 17 increases in level of care payments as provided for in this
- 18 part.
- 19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 20 human services for the purposes of this part.

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- 1 SECTION 14. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 15. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

APPROVED this

day of

, 2008

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII