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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT
AUDIT OF THE ADULT MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH.

1 WHEREAS, the Adult Mental Health Division of the Department
2 of Health seeks to improve the mental health of Hawaii's people
3 by reducing the prevalence of emotional disorders and mental
4 illness; and

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6 WHEREAS, services include mental health education,
7 treatment, and rehabilitation through community-based mental
8 health centers; and

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10 WHEREAS, there are nine community health centers in Hawaii
11 that provide mental health services; and

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13 WHEREAS, of the State's nine community health centers, Hale
14 Na'au Pono is the only private nongovernmental organization, the
15 other eight operate under the Department of Health; and

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17 WHEREAS, chapter 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, establishes
18 procedures for the purchases of health and human services
19 through contracts made by state agencies; and

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21 WHEREAS, contracts made by state agencies should be issued
22 in an equitable manner and should follow established rules and
23 procedures; now, therefore,

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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth
26 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, the
27 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is
28 requested to conduct a financial and management audit of the
29 Adult Mental Health Division of the Department of Health; and

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
32 include in the financial and management audit:



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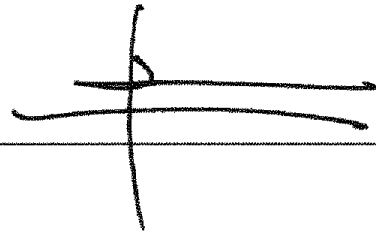
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- (1) An assessment of all contracts issued to all of the community health centers, including Hale Na'au Pono;
- (2) A cost analysis of operations comparing the state-run centers and Hale Na'au Pono;
- (3) A comparison of salaries and benefits of comparable positions;
- (4) The respective credentialing and certification or licensing of the professional staff employed; and
- (5) Any other issues the Auditor deems relevant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Adult Mental Health Division, the Department of Health, the community health centers operated by the Department of Health, Hale Na'au Pono, their staffs, and other relevant persons or agencies are requested to cooperate with and assist the Auditor, and to provide information requested by the Auditor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to submit the findings and recommendations of the financial and management audit, and report any proposed legislation to the Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, the Governor, the Director of Health, and the President and Chairperson of the Executive Committee of Hale Na'au Pono.

OFFERED BY:  _____

By Request

