

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 655

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 16, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1373

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1373
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure the State's compliance
with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education
Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA) by providing additional early
intervention services to infants and children with developmental
delay or at biological or environmental risk for developmental
delay. This bill appropriates \$5,299,809 in fiscal year 2006-2007
for additional expenses required by the Department of Health
(DOH).

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in Article VII,
Section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Governor, in her
Governor's Message Number 237 to the Legislature, requested
immediate consideration and passage of this bill by the
Legislature citing an existing critical funding emergency.

DOH, State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Center on
Disability Studies, Hawaii Chapter-American Physical Therapy
Association, Hawaii Early Intervention Coordinating Council,
Hawaii Centers for Independent Living, Easter Seals Hawaii, Imua
Family Services, Waianae Coast Early Childhood Services, Inc., and
several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill.

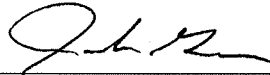
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Your Committee encourages DOH to develop more accurate estimates on its funding needs so that adequate resources can be incorporated into its base budget, thereby avoiding the need for similar emergency funding requests in the future.

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. 1373 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



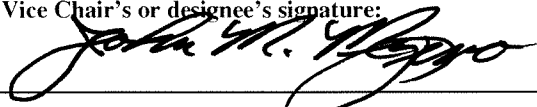
JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



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The Twenty-fourth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1373		Date: 2 - 06 - 07		
Committee Referral: HLT, FIN		<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments, for recommitment for further consideration				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (C)	✓			
2. MIZUNO, John (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. BERTRAM, Joe, III	✓			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
6. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.				✓
8. TAKAI, K. Mark	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
10. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
11. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
TOTAL	9			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: 				
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