

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 357-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 13, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 3161

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 3161  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE  
HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to appropriate emergency funding  
for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) to pay accounts  
payable balances due to essential vendors of Hawaii's public  
health care facilities within 45 days from the date of invoices.

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in Article VII,  
Section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, the Governor, in her  
Governor's Message No. 242 to the Legislature, requested immediate  
consideration and passage of this bill by the Legislature citing  
an existing critical funding shortage.

This bill appropriates \$14,000,000 for fiscal year 2007-2008  
from the Special Fund to be expended by HHSC to sustain the  
ongoing operations of and services at various state hospitals,  
which include critical access care, medical and surgical services,  
and specialty care.

HHSC, its Corporate Board of Directors, and the Hawaii County  
Council supported this bill. Maui Memorial Medical Center  
submitted comments.

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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. 3161 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,

*Josh Green M.D.*  

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JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Health**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 3161	<b>Committee Referral:</b> HLT, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 1-30-08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)				
<b>HLT Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (C)	✓			
2. MIZUNO, John (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
5. BERTRAM, Joe, III	✓			
6. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
7. RHOADS, Karl	✓			
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
10. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	9			1
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b>				
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