

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3019

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 19 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2412  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Human Services and Public Housing and Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2412, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to meet rising health care costs and ensure that Hawaii's residents have continued access to quality health care by appropriating funds for the State's portion of the federal disproportionate share hospital allowance.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Human Services, the Hawai'i Business Roundtable, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, and Kaiser Permanente.

Your Committees find that this measure would provide an opportunity to qualify for approximately \$7,000,000 of federal funds to support health care for Hawaii's most vulnerable residents, and that the status quo of inadequate federal reimbursement is unsustainable and puts quality healthcare for these individuals and families at risk. Your Committees further find that inadequate reimbursement must be addressed, as it is a major factor in physician attrition and reduced patient access to specialty care, and it impacts the quality of care that is available to all, not just the very poor.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

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- (1) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$5,774,340; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2008.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Public Housing and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2412, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2412, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Human Services  
and Public Housing and Health,

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair


  
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SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair





The Senate  
Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Health**  
**HTH**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 2412 HD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HSP/HTH, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/12/08</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
MENOR, Ron				✓
WHALEN, Paul				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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