



GOV. MSG. NO. 282

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

February 5, 2007

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

Dear Madam President:

In accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am requesting your immediate consideration and passage of Senate Bill No. 1260, "A Bill for an Act Relating to a Grant for Kahuku Hospital," which makes an emergency appropriation of \$950,000 in general funds for fiscal year 2006-2007 as a grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to Kahuku Hospital on Oahu, to continue its operations, preserve its hospital license, retain its certificate of need and critical access hospital designation, and settle its debts. I have been informed that the Kahuku Hospital is facing a critical funding emergency and that the Legislature has determined that the Kahuku Hospital qualifies to be a grant recipient under chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. The Department of Health will be available to answer any questions you or your staff may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

cc: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means