

2008 Family Caregiver & Kupuna Caucus Legislative Priorities

#	Bill No.	Bill Title	Bill Description	Status	Referral
1.	SB2830*	Relating to Family Caregiving.	Extends joint legislative committee on family caregiving; changes committee's name to joint legislative committee on aging in place; expands committee mandate to include aging in place issues; requires aging and disability resource center to report to committee; requires joint legislative committee to develop a cash and counseling model appropriates funds to joint legislative committee; allows kupuna care to include overnight, weekend, and emergency respite, and provides grants to caregivers and for home modification; appropriates funds to the kupuna care program.	1/29 HPS hearing 1:30p, Rm 016 (heard 1-24)	HSP, WAM
	HB 2196 [HB2195 also]			1/23 HLT/HSB passed HD1	HLT/HSB, LMG, FIN
2.	SB2831*	Relating to the University of Hawaii Center on Aging Education and Research.	Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii center on aging research and education faculty positions and program expenses.	1/28 HSP hearing 3:45p, Rm 225	HSP/EDU, WAM
	HB2116			1/22 HED passed HD1	HED, HLT/HSB, FIN
3.	SB2044	Relating to Caregivers.	Amends the temporary disability insurance law to permit an eligible employee to collect up to 4 weeks of temporary disability insurance benefit payments to care for a family member with a qualifying disability; effective 07/01/09.		HSP/JDL, WAM
	HB2520*				HLT/HSB, LAB, CPC, FIN
4.	SB2047	Relating to Taxation.	Establishes an income tax credit for taxpayers who make modifications to their home to increase accessibility for individuals with disabilities or special needs.	1/29 HSP DM 1:30p Rm 016	HSP, EDT, WAM
	HB2200				HLT/HSB, FIN
5.	SB2049	Relating to Taxation.	Provides a tax credit to taxpayer caregivers who care for qualified care recipients.	1/29 HSP DM 1:30p Rm 016	HSP, EDT, WAM
	HB2197				HLT/HSB, FIN
6.	SB2048	Relating to Caregiving.	Appropriates funds to the Executive Office on Aging to continue its respite inventory project in collaboration with the University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Social Work.	to be added to SB2830	HSP, WAM
	HB2199				HLT/HSB, FIN
7.	SB2045	Relating to Caregiving.	Establishes a task force to focus on the needs of and issues facing grandparents raising grandchildren.	to be added to SB2830	HSP, WAM
	HB2198			1/24 HSB passed HD1	HSB, JUD, FIN
8.	SB2046	Relating to Multi-Unit Residential Buildings.	Requires surveys of residents of multi-unit residential buildings on needs and issues relating to medical needs, accommodations for disabled for emergency preparation purposes; requires multi-unit residential buildings to inform their residents of emergency evacuation plans.	1/24 deferred indefinitely	HSP, CPH
	HB2198			1/25 HSB passed HD1	HSB, JUD, FIN

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9.	SB2148 SB2599 SB2934	Relating to Funerals.	Establishes requirements for pre-need funeral and interment salespersons; establishes requirements for the solicitation of pre-need funeral and interment goods and services; makes various amendments to the laws governing pre-need funeral and interment contracts and trusts.		HSP, CPH
10.	SB2150 HB3128	Relating to Adult Protection.	Expands the adult protective services law by extending protections to vulnerable adults; appropriates funds to the department of human services.		HSP/JDL, WAM HSH, JUD, FIN
11.	SB2151 HB2289	Relating to Long-Term Care Ombudsman.	Expands the long-term care ombudsman program by adding three additional ombudsman positions, one for each neighboring county.	1/29 HSP hearing 1:30p, Rm 016 1/23 HLT/HSR passed HD1	HSP, WAM HLT/HSR, FIN
12.	SB2152 HB2112	Relating to the Task Force on Aging.	Establishes a task force on aging to study the need for and feasibility of establishing a department of aging; requires the task force on aging to submit findings and recommendations to the legislature; appropriates funds for the task force on aging.	1/29 HSP hearing 1:30p, Rm 016 1/23 HLT/HSR passed HD1	HSP, WAM HLT/HSR, FIN
13.	SB3255	Relating to Long Term Care.	Establishes a long term care commission to research the resources necessary to meet state long term care public policy goals and recommend a program and funding mechanism that can provide the services; appropriates funds; sunsets on 12/01/10.		HSP, WAM
14.	SB3237	Relating to Leahi Hospital Master Plan.	Requires Hawaii health systems corporation to convene a task force to develop a long-term care master plan for Leahi hospital; appropriates \$375,000 to develop master plan.		HSP/HTH, WAM

* denotes bills in house or senate majority package; HD or SD = house or senate amended bill draft; DM = decision-making

Senate committee acronyms: CPH = consumer protection, EDT = economic development & taxation, EDU = education, HSP = human services, HTH = health, JDL = judiciary, WAM = ways & means; House: CPC = consumer protection, FIN = finance, HED = higher education, HLT = health, HSH = human services, JUD = judiciary, LMG = legislative management [revised Jan. 27, 2008]