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Senate Committee on Health

The Hon. Josh Green, M.D., Chair

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Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 420 S.D. 1

Relating to Health

Submitted by **Beth Giesting, Chief Executive Officer**

February 2, 2011, 2:45 p.m., Room 229

The Hawai'i Primary Care Association strongly supports Senate Bill 420 Senate Draft 1, which appropriates funds to provide health care for the uninsured, privately insured, or newly insured families and individuals. This bill recognizes the priority of health and living well in our communities. Along with support for all of the funding contained in this measure, we respectfully suggest the following amendments:

1. Section 3: Insert language to clarify that this funding is for direct health care provided at federally qualified health centers.
2. Section 10: Add funding for the renovation of the Pahoehoe Family Health Center exam rooms in the amount of \$800,000.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.