

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2066  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing and Human Services and Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2066, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Hawaii Public Housing Administration to coordinate with the counties to identify locations for temporary emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families. The measure contains an effective date of July 1, 2020, to facilitate further discussion.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii (HCDCH), the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Solidarity with the Homeless, the Interfaith Alliance Hawaii, A Woman's Voice International, and an individual. The Disability and Communication Access Board and a member of the Maui County Council offered comments.

Your Committees find that this measure addresses the urgent and immediate need to provide temporary emergency shelters for the homeless, while allowing the State, the Counties, and private entities to focus on long-term solutions of permanent supportive housing once the shelter locations are identified.

Your Committees recognize that the State has no jurisdiction over federal lands, but have nevertheless identified former United



States Navy lands at Kalaeloa as a potential site for a temporary emergency shelter. Accordingly, your Committees have requested the HCDCH to prepare a cost estimate for acquisition and use of Barbers Point Barracks as temporary housing for homeless families and individuals.

Your Committees have amended this measure to:

- (1) Require the Hawaii Public Housing Administration (HPHA) to actively partner with the counties and monitor their efforts;
- (2) Require the counties to partner with non-profit organizations;
- (3) Require the HPHA to pursue and secure Barbers Point Barracks as temporary housing for the homeless;
- (4) Make an appropriation to the HPHA;
- (5) Insert a sunset date of June 30, 2009; and
- (6) Make technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing and Human Services and Intergovernmental Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2066, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2066, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
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