

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb. 13

, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2773  
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing,  
to which was referred S.B. No. 2773 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this short form measure is to amend the law  
relating to housing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by replacing its  
contents with language that addresses the housing needs of  
pineapple workers who are displaced by the closure of Del Monte  
Fresh Produce and are in danger of losing their homes at Kunia  
Camp.

Specifically, this measure provides for the following for  
displaced pineapple workers at Kunia, Oahu:

- (1) A grant program to finance the purchase of existing  
homes by their current occupants;
- (2) Mortgage loans at below-market interest rates for  
eligible borrowers to purchase their homes;
- (3) Rent supplements to enable eligible families to rent  
safe, decent, and sanitary housing elsewhere in the  
private market;



- (4) Rental assistance to owners of Kunia Camp housing who maintain existing units at affordable rents for displaced workers and their families;
- (5) Loans or grants for the preservation and substantial rehabilitation of existing rental housing units;
- (6) Funds for the demolition and reconstruction of dilapidated housing units; and
- (7) Funds for direct downpayment loans to eligible borrowers for the purchase of their homes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2773, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2773, S.D. 1, and be recommitted to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Housing, for further consideration.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Commerce, Consumer  
Protection, and Housing,

  
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RON MENOR, Chair



