

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 763 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 29, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2598
H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2598, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to require the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) to give priority to developing land in the areas covered under the Ewa development plan, the City and County of Honolulu primary urban center development plan, and land in the urban core of the counties of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii, based on each county's general plan.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs supported the intent of this bill. HHFDC and the Kauai County Housing Agency opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by including in the priority development areas, lands in the Kakaako Community Development District, as defined in section 206E-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Your Committee has also made technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2598, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2598, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water, Land, Ocean
Resources & Hawaiian Affairs,



KEN ITO, Chair



