

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 421

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 851
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Human Services & Housing and Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 851 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to enable residents of affordable housing to use Oahu's planned mass transit system by:

- (1) Directing the State to identify public lands within one-half mile from the transit corridor and within a one-mile radius of any transit station that are suitable for affordable housing development; and
- (2) Requiring the Governor to set aside those public lands for affordable housing.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation supported the intent of this bill.

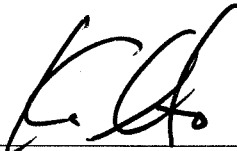


Your Committees have amended this bill by:

- (1) Extending the time period for the identification of public lands from sixty days to one hundred eighty days; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and to correct drafting errors.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services & Housing and Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 851, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 851, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Human Services &
Housing and Water, Land, Ocean
Resources & Hawaiian Affairs,



KEN ITO, Chair



MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair



