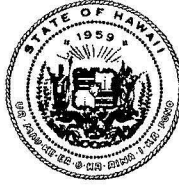


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In consideration of
H.B. 2815
RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) takes no position on H.B. 2815 but provides the following comments:

This bill requires the HPHA to include in its annual reports to the legislature the number of vacant units in public housing projects. HPHA is already required to submit a report to the 2008 and 2009 Legislatures on type A and B vacant units pursuant to Act 213, Part III, Section 61. Please note that HPHA expects to be out of the vacant unit backlog two and a half years from now, and therefore believes that this bill is unnecessary.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.