SB3060, Relating to Hawai`i PHA HSPH, Chair, Sen Chun-Oakland JUD; Chair, Sen Taniguchi

PLEASE AMEND THIS BILL.

The solution to the problem (tenant members on eviction boards) as described in this bill does not address the problem as stated. The problem is that it takes too long to find a tenant member. The solution this bill proposes is to no longer require a tenant member. That does not make sense and discriminates agasinst tenant members and also unduly hastens evicitons.

I understand the frustration involved in the long waits to find a tenant member. Therefore, I propose the following AMENDMENT that will not allow exclusion of a tenant member from day one:

PLEASE CHANGE THE WORDING IN LINES 1 AND 2 ON PAGE 3 TO READ: "IF A TENANT MEMBER CANNOT BE FOUND WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS OF FORMING AN EVICTION BOARD, THE BOARD CAN PROCEED WITHOUT A TENANT MEMBER AS LONG AS A QUORUM IS PRESENT."

Thank you for considering this amendment.

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"It is reasonable that everyone who asks justice should DO justice." Thomas Jefferson

"There comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but one must take it because one's conscience tells one that it is right."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Never, never, never quit."
Winston Churchill