
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE THE
MINIMUM RENT SCHEDULE.

1 WHEREAS, under HRS 356D-43, Hawaii Public Housing Authority
2 must fix rentals rates of the dwellings units sufficient to
3 produce revenues that will pay for all expenses of management,
4 operations, maintenance, repairs, and cost of improvements; and
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6 WHEREAS, the Authority must set rents to remain self-
7 supporting; and
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9 WHEREAS, the 2006 audit showed the cost of routine
10 operating expenses for the state public housing program exceeds
11 budgeted repair cost and is depleting program revenues; and
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13 WHEREAS, the audit suggested increasing the minimum rent;
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16 WHEREAS, Hawaii Public Housing Authority had been operating
17 in a short fall every year requiring infusion of additional fund
18 from the legislature; in 2005 20 million; 2006 13.5 million;
19 2007 10.5 million; 2008 16 million; and 2008 17 million; and
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21 WHEREAS, rental collections in arrears is \$1.2 million with
22 monthly rental rates for family housing is as follows: \$108 for
23 one bedroom, \$128 for a two bedroom, \$152 or a 3 bedroom, \$180
24 for a 4 bedroom and \$212 for a 5 bedroom.
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26 WHEREAS, for the fiscal 2010 Hawaii Public Housing
27 Authority needs over 17 million dollars in subsidy and due to
28 economic downturn the state or the legislature can no longer
29 infuse additional funds for its maintenance; now, therefore,
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
32 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
33 of 2009, requesting the Governor, the Hawaii Public Housing
34 Authority to impose minimum rents to no less than \$250.00 with



1 yearly increase equal to the increases of the cost of living
2 index; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the director and members of the Board of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

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