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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

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In consideration of
S.B. 1160, SD2
RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) supports the intent of S.B. 1160, SD2, which would assess a common expenses fee to all units in state public housing projects.

For state housing projects, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority has the ability under current law to set rents, and this provision would support increasing resident contributions to the cost of maintaining public housing. HPHA supports this measure as long as the flexibility to define "common area expenses" is maintained, and we ask that the effective date be delayed to July 1, 2010 in order to provide time to determine actual costs and promulgate administrative rules.

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