
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY'S
PLAN TO IMPLEMENT THE TENANT MONITOR PROGRAM.

1 WHEREAS, when disturbances occur at public housing projects
2 and police officers are called to the premises, there is often
3 no single person with the proper authority and responsibility to
4 file complaints with the police officers or to handle the
5 situation, especially when the property managers' offices are
6 closed during nights and weekends; and
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8 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority has developed
9 a plan to implement the Tenant Monitor Program as a pilot
10 program in three housing projects; and
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12 WHEREAS, under the proposed Tenant Monitor Program,
13 resident managers will be designated as points of contact who
14 are immediately available for emergency situations when property
15 management is unavailable and who may authorize police or other
16 emergency responders to enter the property, direct police or
17 other emergency responders to appropriate units or sections of
18 the housing projects, and confirm whether individuals do or do
19 not reside on the property; and
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21 WHEREAS, under the proposed Tenant Monitor Program,
22 designated resident managers will not be employees of the Hawaii
23 Public Housing Authority but will receive community police
24 training from the Honolulu Police Department and other safety
25 awareness training from the Department of the Attorney General;
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28 WHEREAS, as part of the proposed Tenant Monitor Program,
29 the Hawaii Public Housing Authority plans to provide free rent
30 to individuals who are designated as resident managers; and
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32 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is awaiting
33 approval from the United States Department of Housing and Urban



1 Development on the Authority's Tenant Monitor Program plan to
2 provide free rent to the designated resident managers and
3 expects approval of the plan by July 1, 2010; now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
6 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the
7 House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature
8 support the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's plan to implement
9 the Tenant Monitor Program; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Public Housing
12 Authority is encouraged to provide an option of either free rent
13 or partial rental assistance, in lieu of compensation, to a
14 designated resident manager under the proposed Tenant Monitor
15 Program so that:
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17 (1) The value of the rental assistance is commensurate
18 with the resident manager's duties, which may differ
19 from the duties of another resident manager in the
20 Tenant Monitor Program depending on factors such as
21 the size of the housing project for which a resident
22 manager is responsible; and
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24 (2) The Hawaii Public Housing Authority may designate more
25 than one resident manager per housing project to
26 ensure adequate or improved coverage throughout the
27 day; and
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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Public Housing
30 Authority is requested to report to the Legislature no later
31 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
32 of 2011. The report shall address the following:
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34 (1) Whether or not the United States Department of Housing
35 and Urban Development has approved the proposed Tenant
36 Monitor Program;
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38 (2) If the Tenant Monitor Program is not approved, the
39 reasons for the disapproval; and
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41 (3) If the Tenant Monitor Program is approved, an update
42 on the status of implementation of the Program; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Executive Director
3 of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

