

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 23, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2318
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
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Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2318, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOMELESS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to assist chronically homeless individuals by establishing a Housing First Special Fund and authorizing the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA), in collaboration with the Department of Human Services (DHS), to implement Housing First programs and services, subject to the availability of existing funds or Housing First Special Fund moneys.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1) Mandating, rather than authorizing, the implementation of Housing First programs and services, subject to the availability of existing funds or Housing First Special Fund moneys, and placing this requirement in statute;



- (2) Requiring HPHA, in collaboration with DHS, to submit an annual report to the Legislature including specified information regarding Housing First programs and services;
- (3) Removing the sunset date of June 30, 2016;
- (4) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2010; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2318, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2318, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.


Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:


ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE


NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair

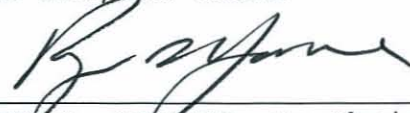

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