

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2010

RE: H.R. No. 62  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred H.R. No. 62  
entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY  
TO ESTABLISH HOMELESS SAFE ZONES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to assist homeless persons  
by urging the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to establish  
homeless safe zones to provide a reasonably safe area for those  
without permanent housing to spend the night.

Hawaiian Hope, the Waikiki Neighborhood Board, Waianae  
Community Outreach, the Representative from the 23<sup>rd</sup> District, and  
several concerned individuals testified in support of this  
resolution.

Your Committee acknowledges that homelessness has been a  
long-term problem and that State and City efforts to assist those  
without permanent shelter have not always been successful. Your  
Committee believes that the designation of homeless safe zones  
where homeless persons may stay overnight in a reasonably safe  
environment represents a solution that may be implemented  
immediately while more sustainable and long-term solutions are  
devised.



Your Committee has amended this resolution by:

- (1) Requesting the City and County of Honolulu to donate land to be used as homeless safe zones; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 62, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 62, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Housing,



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RIDA CABANILLA, Chair



