

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

187

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19 2009

RE: S.B. No. 737  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Education and Housing and Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 737 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize mixed-use housing projects and infrastructure projects that are associated with a housing or mixed-use housing project to be eligible for the expedited review process currently offered by the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to qualifying housing projects.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two state agencies and one private organization. Testimony in opposition was submitted by one county agency. Written testimony presented to the Committees may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committees find that this measure is one of many under consideration by the Legislature in response to severe shortages of affordable housing in Hawaii. Your Committees are concerned that a long-term economic crisis will further worsen what is already a challenging housing market for Hawaii residents.

Your Committees further find that while the federal economic stimulus legislation will provide some relief, much more needs to be done at the state level. Your Committees have heard and

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approved a wide range of proposed affordable housing initiatives and encourages further legislative discussions on the proposal in this measure.


Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Extending the time a county legislative body shall act on mixed-use housing projects, or infrastructure projects associated with a housing or mixed-use housing project, from forty-five to ninety days; and
- (2) Amending the effective date to July 1, 2050, for the purpose of encouraging further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Housing and Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 737, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 737, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Education and  
Housing and Transportation,  
International and  
Intergovernmental Affairs,

  
J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair

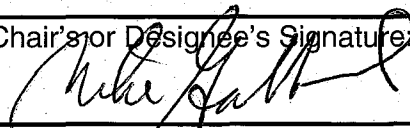
  
NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair





The Senate  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 737	EDH/TIA, WTL	2-9-09
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)	✓	
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓	
ESPERO, Will	✓	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓	
SLOM, Sam		✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	4	—
Nay	—	1
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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