

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3032

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2143

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2143 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the minimum number of resident member nominees that the Residency Advisory Board of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority must submit to the Governor for consideration for appointment to the Authority's Board of Directors.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services and Hawaii Public Housing Authority of the Department of Human Services.

Your Committee notes that when the resident member seat on the Hawaii Public Housing Authority Board of Directors becomes vacant, the Resident Advisory Board must develop a list of five interested, qualified individuals for consideration by the Governor for appointment. When the Resident Advisory Board is unable to provide a list of five names to the Governor, the resident member seat on the Board of Directors may remain vacant for extended periods. This deprives the residents of a voice on the Board and jeopardizes the State from receiving federal funds since the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the Board to have a resident member. This measure provides the Resident Advisory Board the flexibility to submit a list of no less than three but no more than five nominees to fill the resident member seat, ensures the residents have a



voice on the Board, and ensures Hawaii is in compliance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's requirement of having a resident member on the Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2143, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.


Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,

Suzanne Chun Oakland
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2143	Committee Referral: HMS	Date: 3-13-12		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	3	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes