

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2842
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2842, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL ACTIONS FOR
DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES IN REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make the law relating to the filing of civil actions in housing discrimination cases consistent with the federal law under the Fair Housing Act. Specifically, this measure:

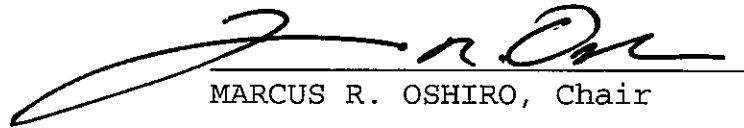
- (1) Allows an aggrieved person to file a civil action in an appropriate court no later than two years after the occurrence or termination of an alleged discriminatory housing practice;
- (2) Directs the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission to issue a right to sue on a complaint filed with the Commission if it is determined that a civil action alleging similar facts has also been filed; and
- (3) Specifies available remedies in a civil action for housing discrimination.



The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission testified in support of this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2842, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii
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The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2842 SD1 HD1	Committee Referral: JUD, FIN	Date: 3/28/12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
4. CULLEN, Ty	✓			
5. GIUGNI, Heather	✓			
6. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
7. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
8. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
9. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
10. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	✓			
11. LEE, Chris	✓			
12. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	✓			
16. RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
17. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (17)	17			0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Maui Blee				
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