

SB 305

Measure Title: RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING.

Report Title: Public Housing Projects; Development

Description: Authorizes the Hawaii public housing authority to develop public housing projects. Authorizes the Hawaii public housing authority to develop commercial and industrial properties in connection with the development of public housing dwelling units.

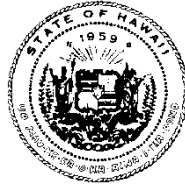
Companion:

Package: Housing and Homeless

Current Referral: HMS, WAM

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

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Room 229, Hawaii State Capitol

In consideration of
Senate Bill 305
Relating to Development of Public Housing

Honorable Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with comments regarding Senate Bill (S.B.) 305, relating to development of public housing.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) supports enactment of this measure, which would authorize the HPHA to develop commercial and industrial properties in connection with the development of public housing dwelling units, with amendments.

Currently, Chapter 356D-11 Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) allows the HPHA to develop several different classes of land such as public land in agricultural districts, and certain federal lands. The agency believes that this statutory amendment will further enhance the HPHA's ability to serve our low income residents by providing more development options that could also benefit the surrounding communities in which those properties are situated.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Human Services with the agency's position regarding S.B. 305. We respectfully request the Committee to pass this measure favorably, and we thank you very much for your dedicated support.