SB 721

Measure Title: RELATING TO SOLID WASTE.

Report Title: Hawaii Public Housing Authority; Waste Diversion

Clarifies that HPHA is authorized to contract with private businesses to divert food and green waste from public housing projects. Requires

Description:

HPHA to report to the 2014 legislature on its progress on such

contracts.

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: HMS, WAM

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> In consideration of Senate Bill 721 Relating to Solid Waste

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.) 721, relating to solid waste.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) <u>appreciates</u> the intent of this measure, which allows the HPHA to contract with private businesses to divert food and green waste from public housing projects. This measure would further require the HPHA to report to the 2014 legislature on its progress on such contracts. However, we must respectfully <u>oppose</u> the enactment of this measure.

Currently, Chapter 356D-10 Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), allows the HPHA to contract out to corporations that can provide the agency with services such as food waste and green waste recycling.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Human Services with the agency's position regarding S.B. 721. We respectfully request the Committee to hold this measure, and we thank you very much for your dedicated support.