STAND. COM. REP. NO. 545-14

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 27, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1842 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1842, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist individuals facing or experiencing homelessness by:

- (1) Funding various homeless and housing programs;
- (2) Mandating the establishment of the three-year Return-to-Home Program for eligible homeless individuals; and
- (3) Transferring responsibility for the Homeless Assistance Working Group, established by Act 222, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, from the Department of Human Services to the Legislature.

The Hawaii Primary Care Association, Community Alliance for Mental Health, United Self Help, Catholic Charities Hawaii, Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, Helping Hands Hawaii, PHOCUSED, Hawaii Catholic Conference, Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition, and an individual supported this measure. The Department of Human Services and Department of Health commented on 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 H.B. No. 1842, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1842, HD1	Committee Referral: HUS/HLT, FIN		Date: 2/21/2014	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				:
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				- 1
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)				<u> </u>
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.		· L		
6. ING, Kaniela				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
10. MORIKAWA, Dee				
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. WOODSON, Justin H.				
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth		}		
17. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (17)	15	1		1
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature				
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