

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2638

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2343  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2343, S.D. 1, 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 prohibit the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and the counties from disqualifying a legal nonconforming dwelling unit from the housing choice voucher program if the unit meets zoning and building code requirements and other program standards for health and safety.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

Your Committee finds that many families face challenges as they seek to obtain affordable rental housing. The federal housing choice voucher program assists families by covering a portion of tenants' rent. Your Committee finds that while this program has enabled some Hawaii residents to find housing at an affordable cost, this measure is necessary to clarify that a legal nonconforming dwelling unit shall not be disqualified from the housing choice voucher program if the unit meets zoning and building code requirements and other program standards for health and safety.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your



Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2343, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,



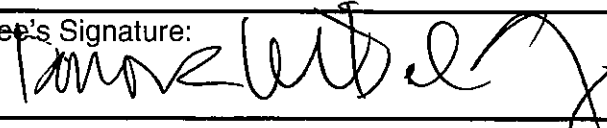
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JILL M. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2343, SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HOU/PSM, WAM</b>	Date: <b>8/29/16</b>		
<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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				/
HARIMOTO, Breene				/
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				/
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>3</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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