

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 478  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 478 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for thirty permanent full-time equivalent multi-skilled worker civil service positions to assist the Hawaii Public Housing Authority in repair and maintenance of low-income housing properties.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from United Public Workers.

Your Committee finds that a flexible, multi-skilled workforce will allow the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to schedule and arrange staff in multiple areas of repair and maintenance that require increased manpower at any time and for any duration at low-income public housing properties. This flexibility allows the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to schedule and arrange work in accordance with the needs of the agency, maintain multiple low-income housing properties at a high level that would otherwise leave repair and maintenance idle, and focus on the living environment and safety needs of the residents at low-income public housing properties.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the thirty multi-skilled worker civil service positions requested by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority are non-exempt;
- (2) Deleting language that would have appropriated funds to establish multi-skilled worker civil service positions in the Hawaii Public Housing Authority;
- (3) Inserting language to establish thirty full-time equivalent permanent multi-skilled worker civil service positions in the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to assist and support public housing operations statewide; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 478, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 478, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Human Services and  
Housing,


*Suzanne Chun Oakland*

SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
GREEN, Josh (VC)				✓
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center;">  </div>				
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