

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 785  
S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 785, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage and support the development of affordable housing by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (Department).

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Makes permanent Act 141, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits to the Department;
- (2) Makes permanent Act 98, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits for each residential unit developed by the Department; and
- (3) Requires that twenty-five percent of revenues from any transfer of credits by the Department be used by the Department to develop rental units.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homelands Assembly. Your



Committee received written comments in opposition to the measure from the Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu and the Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies.


Your Committee finds that affordable housing credits provide the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands greater opportunities to develop lands under its control. Your Committee believes that by permanently allowing the Department to use affordable housing credits, this measure will help the Department to provide homes to its beneficiaries and will increase the number of affordable housing units in the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language requiring that twenty-five percent of revenues from any transfer of credits by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands be used by the Department to develop rental units; and
- (2) Requiring the issuance of affordable housing credits to the Department, the transfer of credits by the Department, and the county-wide application of credits to be in accordance with county ordinances, resolutions, rules, or memoranda of agreement.

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. 785, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 785, S.D. 2.

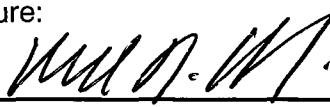
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB785 SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HWN/PSM/HSH, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/3/15</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 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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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