

HB 1314 HD1

Measure Title:	RELATING TO HOUSING.
Report Title:	Emergency Home Relocation Special Fund; Appropriation (\$)
Description:	Establishes the emergency home relocation special fund to assist persons dispossessed of their homes as a result of a natural disaster. Appropriates moneys. (HB1314 HD1)
Companion:	
Package:	None
Current Referral:	HSH/PSM, WAM
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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA
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STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING AND
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
ON
HOUSE BILL NO. 1314, H.D. 1

March 19, 2015

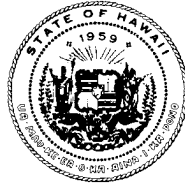
RELATING TO HOUSING

House Bill No. 1314, H.D. 1, revises Chapter 201H, HRS, by establishing an Emergency Home Relocation Special Fund to provide infrastructure development, grants, and loans to assist persons dispossessed of their homes as a result of a natural disaster, as that term is defined in Section 171.85, HRS. The bill designates the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, administratively attached to the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT), to administer the special fund.

We defer to DBEDT regarding the merits of the bill; however, as a matter of general policy, the Department of Budget and Finance does not support the creation of any special fund which does not meet the requirements of Section 37-52.3 of the HRS. Special or revolving funds should: 1) reflect a clear nexus between the benefits sought and charges made upon the users or beneficiaries of the program; 2) provide an appropriate means of financing for the program or activity; and 3) demonstrate the capacity to be financially self-sustaining. In regards to House Bill No. 1314, H.D. 1, it is difficult to determine whether the fund will be self-sustaining.

I encourage the Legislature to review the fiscal and operational plan for this program to ensure that it does conform to the requirements of Section 37-52.3, HRS.

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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING
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MILITARY AFFAIRS**

March 19, 2015 at 1:25 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 016

In consideration of
**H.B. 1314, H. D. 1
RELATING TO HOUSING.**

The HHFDC *supports the intent* of H.B. 1314, H.D. 1, provided that it does not adversely impact priorities as indicated in the Executive Biennium Budget. The HHFDC and its predecessor agencies have previously administered housing programs that assist special groups of people, such as the lessees in Kahana Valley or Milolii, and persons displaced by the Kilauea lava flow.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rita Sandi-Palma	Hawaii Island Community Alliance Partners (CAP)	Support	No

Comments: As a community, Hawaii Island has seen the devastating effects of two disasters this past year in the Pahoia and lower Puna communities. This legislation is sorely needed as we have learned by experience this year. Hawaii Island's Community Alliance Partners (CAP) offer STRONG SUPPORT for HB1314 HD1 proposing to establish the emergency home relocation special fund to assist persons dispossessed of their homes as a result of a natural disaster. Every community in our state is at risk and this special fund will be a safety net for our island families in the future. Mahalo nui loa for your consideration of this very important legislation.

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Sarah Figueroa	Neighborhood Place of Puna	Support	No

Comments:

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Ashley Kierkiewicz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I write in strong support of HB 1314. Many families were displaced as a result of Tropical Storm Iselle and the looming lava flow in Puna. Please vote in favor of appropriating emergency housing funds that would assist families displaced by natural disasters. Mahalo!

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David Deges	Individual	Support	No

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Elizabeth Murph	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a community, Hawaii Island has seen the devastating effects of two disasters this past year in the Pahoia and lower Puna communities. This legislation is sorely needed as we have learned by experience this year. As an individual active in the community, I, Elizabeth Naholowaa Murph, offer STRONG SUPPORT for HB1314 HD1 proposing to establish the emergency home relocation special fund to assist persons dispossessed of their homes as a result of a natural disaster. Every community in our state is at risk and this special fund will provide a safety net for our island families in the future. Mahalo nui loa for your consideration of this very important legislation.

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