

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 10, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 242
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Intrastate Commerce, to which was referred
H.B. No. 242 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish within the
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs a Condominium Unit
Owner Hotline to provide condominium unit owners with legal
information relating to disputes with a condominium's board of
directors.

Three concerned individuals supported this measure. The Real
Estate Commission, Hawaii Council of Associations of Apartment
Owners, Mauna Luan, Associa, and two concerned individuals opposed
this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting proposed language that authorized attorneys to
voluntarily staff the hotline and required the hotline
to be funded by the Condominium Education Trust Fund;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2099, to promote
further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity,
consistency, or style.

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Should the Committee on Finance decide to deliberate further on this measure, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider funding to establish and administer the Condominium Unit Owner Hotline.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Intrastate Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 242, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 242, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce and Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Intrastate
Commerce,



TAKASHI OHNO, Chair



