

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2014
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health & Human Services and Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 2014 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Governor to make certain parcels of state land available for the establishment of the Puuhonua Homeless Villages program, provide a range of services to the individuals experiencing homelessness who reside there, and provide government employees and volunteers with immunity from liability for injuries and damages resulting from providing services to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Hawaii Kai Homeless Task Force, IMUAlliance, and Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii offered testimony in support of this measure. Department of Land and Natural Resources and a concerned individual opposed this measure. The Office of the Governor, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Department of Human Services, Department of Agriculture, Department of Public Safety, Department of the Attorney General, Kunoa Cattle Company, LLC, and Hawaii Association for Justice offered comments.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

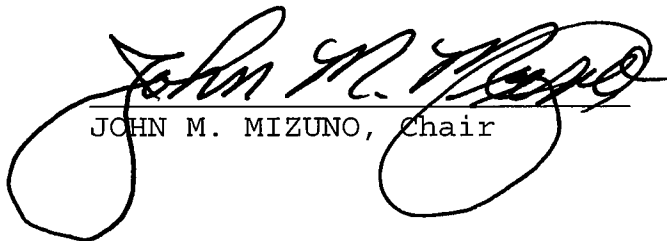
- (1) Changing the requirement for the Governor to make available specific parcels of state land for the purpose of this measure to instead require the Governor to identify parcels of state land that shall be made available for the purposes of this measure;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health & Human Services and Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2014, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2014, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health & Human
Services and Housing,



TOM BROWER, Chair



JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



