

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2281
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. 2281 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish within the Department of Human Services the Ohana Zones Program to provide housing to homeless individuals and families based on principles similar to housing first programs and appropriate funds; and
- (2) Appropriate moneys to the Department of Human Services, Department of Health, and Hawaii Public Housing Authority to support various efforts to end homelessness, including public housing, rapid rehousing and the State's rent supplement program, housing first, Oahu's family assessment center, the law enforcement assisted diversion program, and civil legal services.

The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Hawaii Youth Services Network, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii, The Queen's Health Systems, and an individual supported




this measure. The Department of Human Services, Department of Health, and Hawaii Public Housing Authority provided comments.

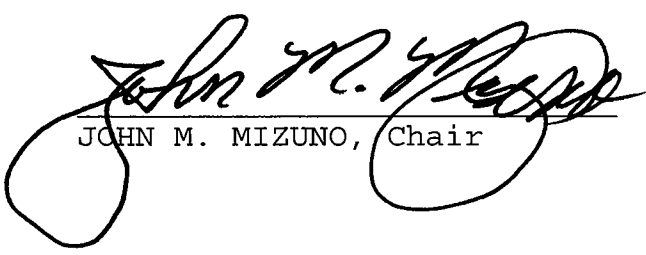
Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion.

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. 2281, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2281, 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

