

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2331  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 2331 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to incentivize the development of affordable housing in the State by expediting certain approval processes. Specifically, this measure requires:

- (1) County land use decision making bodies to act on district boundary amendments involving land areas of fifteen acres or less within forty-five days; and
- (2) The Hawaii Community Development Authority to act on affordable housing projects on land within their control within forty-five days.

The Office of the Governor; Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism; Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; League of Women Voters of Hawaii; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; Building Industry Association of Hawaii; and Hawaii Island Community Development Corporation supported this measure.



Your Committee finds that the Land Use Commission's current expedited process for boundary amendments for Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation rental housing projects has reduced duplicative processes in the development of these projects.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2331, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2331, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Water & Land.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Housing,



TOM BROWER, Chair



