STAND. COM. REP. NO. 970 -18

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2 , 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2441 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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2441, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to decrease the conveyance tax rates for properties valued at under \$2,000,000 and amend the rate for residential investment properties by establishing a rate of 3% of the value of the conveyance transaction for these properties. This measure also allocates a portion of conveyance tax revenues to the Housing Finance Revolving Fund, which funds many of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation's affordable housing programs.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs and IMUAlliance testified in support of this measure. The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Association of REALTORS, and a concerned individual testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Taxation, Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2441, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LYKE, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

	mittee Referral:	Date:	2/-/	
HB 2441 HD1 HS	G, FIN		2/27/	2018
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. DeCOITE, Lynn				
5. FUKUMOTO, Beth				
6. GATES, Cedric Asuega	V			
7. HOLT, Daniel				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
11. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.				
12. TODD, Chris				
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.		A JE SEE		
14. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				
15. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (15)	//	Ø	Ø	4
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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