

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2753  
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 Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2753 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish the Ohana Zone Pilot Program with preliminary milestones that shall be met by the Department of Human Services in establishing the pilot program.

The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawaii Psychological Association, and one concerned individual submitted testimony in support. The Department of Human Services and Department of Land and Natural Resources submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Expanding the definition of ohana zone to detail additional services and resources that shall be provided as well as to add the additional goal of alleviating intergeneration poverty;
- (2) Placing the Ohana Zone Pilot Program under the Department of Human Services Homeless Programs Office;



- (3) Exempting contracts entered into by the Homeless Programs Office, pursuant to the Ohana Zone Pilot Program, from the requirements of The Hawaii Public Procurement Code and Hawaii Purchase of Health and Human Services law, Chapters 103D and 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, respectively;
- (4) Authorizing the Department of Human Services and Department of Land and Natural Resources to develop interim administrative rules without regard to Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (5) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to enable further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2753, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2753, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health & Human  
Services,

  
JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



