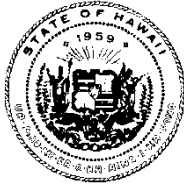


HB 2748 HD2

Measure Title:	RELATING TO HOUSING.
Report Title:	Appropriation; Special Needs Housing Study; Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (\$)
Description:	Requires the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to conduct a study on the current and future demand and supply of affordable housing suitable for individuals with special needs. Makes an appropriation. (HB2748 HD2)
Companion:	
Package:	None
Current Referral:	HOU/CPH, WAM
Introducer(s):	BROWER, BELATTI, GATES, JOHANSON, KOBAYASHI, LOPRESTI, MIZUNO, MORIKAWA, NAKAMURA

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of
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Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING
SENATE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND HEALTH

March 20, 2018 at 2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 225

In consideration of
H.B. 2748, H.D. 2
RELATING TO HOUSING.

The HHFDC **supports** H.B. 2748, H.D. 2, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in our Executive Supplemental Budget request. H.B. 2748, H.D. 2, requires HHFDC to conduct a study on the current and future demand for and supply of affordable housing suitable for persons with special needs and makes a General Fund appropriation for that purpose.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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March 20, 2018

The Honorable Will Espero, Chair
Senate Committee on Housing
and
The Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection,
and Health
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Espero, Senator Baker and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: HB2748 HD2 – Relating to Housing

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities submits comments on **HB2748 HD2** and recommends amendments to HB2748 HD2. The bill requires the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation to conduct a study on the current and future demand and supply of affordable housing suitable for individuals with special needs.

The first amendment we respectfully request is to change the term, "special needs" to "access and functional needs." According to the dictionary, Merriam-Webster, the definition of Special Needs is most commonly associated with a student or a child.

The second amendment we respectfully request is on page 2, change line 4 to read, "corporation shall conduct a study of the housing waitlists in the State, and in each County, to:" The waitlist applicants have already identified themselves as an individual with access and functional needs as defined on page 2 lines 6-11 of HB 2748 HD2.

We feel strongly a study of the housing waitlists, such as Section 8, will identify the current and future demand and supply of affordable housing suitable for individuals with access and functional needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony with proposed amendments for HB 2748 HD2.

Sincerely,

Daintry Bartoldus
Executive Administrator

HB-2748-HD-2

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 2:22:27 PM

Testimony for HOU on 3/20/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/19/2018 10:47:02 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

In STRONG SUPPORT.