

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1156

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2019

RE: H.B. No. 257
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 257, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the use of private lands for the Ohana Zones Pilot Program;
- (2) Extend the Ohana Zones Pilot Program to June 30, 2022; and
- (3) Extend the Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment Pilot Program and the Medical Respite Pilot Program to June 30, 2020.

The Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, The Queen's Health Systems, HOPE Services Hawai'i, Hawaii Island HIV/AIDS Foundation, O'ahu County Democrats, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and several individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Human Services, Department of Land and Natural Resources, and Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness provided comments.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, 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 Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 257, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 257, H.D. 2, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



