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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President and Members  
of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Interim Report to the Legislature pursuant to Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019. Act 167 required the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to study and formulate an implementation plan for the ALOHA Homes program and provide an interim report to the 2020 Legislature. In accordance with Section 93-16, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: <http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/overview/annual-reports-reports-to-the-legislature/>.

With aloha,

Mike McCartney

Enclosure

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# Interim Report to the 2020 Hawaii State Legislature:

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Pursuant to Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019 Relating  
to the ALOHA Homes Program.

Prepared by:  
Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation  
Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism



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Act 167, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2019, requires the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) to study and formulate an implementation plan for the ALOHA Homes Program, defined as "a program that provides low-cost, high-density leasehold homes for sale to Hawaii residents on state-owned lands within a one-half mile radius of a public transit station." Section 2 of Act 167 contains an appropriation of \$150,000 for this study.

Section 1(d) of Act 167 requires submission of "an interim report to the legislature of its progress, findings, and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2020." This report is intended to satisfy this requirement.

On October 14, 2019, HHFDC issued a request for proposals (RFP) for an ALOHA Homes Feasibility and Implementation Study. Pursuant to the Governor's Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Execution Policies dated August 2, 2019, ten percent of the appropriation was restricted. Therefore, \$135,000 is available for the study. Proposals were due on November 20, 2019. HHFDC's current RFP schedule places the notice of award on December 16, 2019, and the contract start date on December 23, 2019.

HHFDC will make the full findings and recommendations developed under the consultant contract available to the Legislature in the final report required for submittal in 2021.