

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1314

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2021

RE: H.C.R. No. 149
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 149 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY REGARDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Legislative Reference Bureau conduct a study regarding affordable housing in the County of Maui and submit a report to the Legislature.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Your Committee finds that the shortage of available housing in the State continues to worsen as the demand for affordable housing continues to outpace supply. Your Committee further finds that the State's housing problem varies by county. Although the housing shortage, particularly the availability of affordable housing, is a statewide problem, your Committee noted during discussions at its public hearing that the need for housing is of particularly great concern in rural areas such as Lanai and Molokai.

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As such, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requesting the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, rather than the Legislative Reference Bureau, to conduct a study or prepare a report with existing data regarding affordable housing and report to the Legislature prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2022;
- (2) Narrowing the scope of the study or report to Lanai and Molokai, rather than the County of Maui, and amending the contents of the request for the study or report;
- (3) Amending the title to read, "REQUESTING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY OR PREPARE A REPORT WITH EXISTING DATA REGARDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON LANAI AND MOLOKAI."; and
- (4) 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 Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 149, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 149, H.D. 1.

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


NADINE K. NAKAMURA, Chair



