

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1342-22

Honolulu, Hawaii
, 2022

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RE: S.B. No. 879
S.D. 1
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 879, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the counties to provide for the maintenance of infrastructure for any housing development for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands within sixty days and under certain conditions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands often continues to have the responsibility to maintain infrastructure despite the Department's compliance with county requirements. Your Committee further finds that the counties are uniquely positioned to operate, improve, repair, and maintain infrastructure. Therefore, transferring the responsibility to the counties to maintain the infrastructure, under specified conditions, for any housing development of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands will enable the Department to use its resources to develop homestead lots to meet the needs of beneficiaries and better focus its efforts on attending to the



maintenance and repairs of existing infrastructure under its authority.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 879, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 879, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



