

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3611

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 161
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 161 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING PERMITTING AND TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF COUNTY ORDINANCES ON HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to convene a task force on affordable housing permitting and to conduct a study of county ordinance on housing finance and development.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii is facing an unprecedented housing shortage that has resulted in insufficient affordable housing for the State's residents. Many county ordinances and rules impose significant barriers to affordable housing development in the State. To address those barriers, it is necessary to obtain greater information on county-level ordinances and rules that may hinder the development of affordable housing. This measure requests the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to convene a task force and conduct a study on



affordable housing permitting and county ordinances on housing finance and development. However, your Committee also notes that, according to testimony submitted by the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, the requested task force and study will cost an estimated \$250,000.

Your Committee has amended this measure by extending the deadline for the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to complete the requested report by one year to 2024.

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 S.C.R. No. 161, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 161, S.D. 1.

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



STANLEY CHANG, Chair



