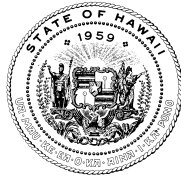


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**TESTIMONY OF IKAIKA ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN-DESIGNATE  
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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING  
HEARING ON MARCH 17, 2023 AT 9:30AM IN CR 312**

**SB 1357, SD 1, RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOME  
LANDS**

March 17, 2023

Aloha Chair Hashimoto, Vice Chair Aiu, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) strongly supports this bill that makes permanent Act 141, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits to DHHL upon request and makes permanent Act 98, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits for each residential unit developed by DHHL. This bill was approved by the Hawaiian Homes Commission and included in the Governor's administrative package at the request of our Department.

Affordable housing credits have provided DHHL greater opportunities to gain resources to develop homesteads. Since Act 141 was passed by the Legislature in 2009, this program has been very successful for DHHL. Unfortunately, this program is set to repeal in 2024. By making this program permanent, DHHL can continue to utilize affordable housing credits to provide affordable housing opportunities for our beneficiaries at no cost to the State. For example, this program allowed for a reduction in the price of housing units offered by homebuilders on Hawaiian home lands. It could also be used for the purchase of additional land in a location that beneficiaries are interested in, but for which DHHL currently does not have available land.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.



March 15, 2023

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB1357, SD1  
House Committee on Housing  
March 17, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.  
Via Video Conference/Conference Room 211

Aloha Chair Hashimoto, Vice Chair Aiu, and members of the Committees:

As a longtime supporter of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (“DHHL”) and its efforts to get its beneficiaries on its lands, I am testifying in strong support of SB1357, SD1 which makes permanent the affordable housing credit program for DHHL.

Affordable housing credits have enabled DHHL to acquire land at no cost to the State and generate funds to fund infrastructure.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB1357, SD1.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Everett R. Dowling", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Everett R. Dowling  
President