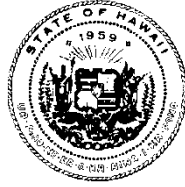


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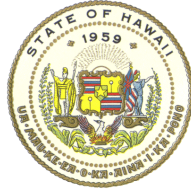
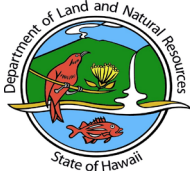
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In consideration of
S.B. 607, S.D. 3
RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

The HHFDC supports S.B. 607, S.D. 3, which amends Act 98, SLH 2019 to delete the 2022 deadline for completion of construction of the Lealii affordable housing project in Lahaina, now named Kaiaulu O Kuku'ia, because without it, the project would not be able to proceed for lack of financing.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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**Testimony of
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Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
HOUSING**

**Thursday, March 18, 2021
9:15 AM**

State Capitol, Via Videoconference, Conference Room 423

**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 607, SENATE DRAFT 3
RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Senate Bill 607, Senate Draft 3 proposes to deadline for expenditure of appropriated funds for the Keawe Street Affordable Housing, and permit compliance with the requirements of Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the Leialii Villages Affordable Housing projects as funding is appropriated. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure and offers comments.**

The Department does not request archaeological inventory surveys for every project. It makes such requests only in areas where existing knowledge suggests that there is a high potential for archaeological resources or iwi kupuna to be present. In this particular instance, there are known archaeological resources including possible burial sites in the vicinity of the Keawe Street Affordable Housing Project. Furthermore, the requested archaeological inventory survey is already underway for the Keawe Street Affordable Housing Project. Based on communications with the project developer and their archaeological consulting firm, the Department believes that this work will be completed and submitted for review and acceptance in time to meet deadlines for expending the appropriated funds for this project.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

SUZANNE D. CASE
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Comments:

I am available for questions.

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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING
Thursday, March 18, 2021, 9:15 a.m.
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SB607 RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura, Chair
Honorable Troy N. Hashimoto, Vice Chair
Honorable members of the Committee on Housing

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **SB607**.

This bill removes the land entitlements deadline for the Leialii affordable housing project and Keawe Street Apartments. It also exempts the project from the application of Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes; provided certain conditions are met.

This project will provide for 200 affordable multi-family rental housing units to Maui families earning up to 60% of the Housing and Urban Development area median income. The West Maui community fully supports this project. The Maui County Council approved the 201H process for this project by a vote of 9-0 in February 2020.

I strongly urge you to pass this measure, SB607.