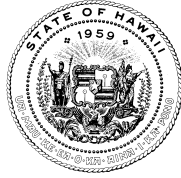


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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
HEARING ON FEBRUARY 7, 2023 AT 1:01PM IN CR 224

SB 1357, RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

February 7, 2023

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro, Vice Chair Fevella, 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 the Department 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 was also used for the purchase of additional land in a location that beneficiaries are interested in, but for which the Department currently does not have available land.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

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February 6, 2023

Senator Maile Shimabukuro, Chair
Senator Kurt Fevella, Vice Chair
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RE: **HB 1357 – RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS**
Hearing date – February 7, 2023 at 1:01 p.m.

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro, Vice Chair Fevella and members of the committees,

Thank you for allowing NAIOP Hawaii to submit testimony with **COMMENTS ON HB 1357 – RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS**. NAIOP Hawaii is the Hawaii chapter of the nation's leading organization for office, industrial, retail, residential and mixed-use real estate. NAIOP Hawaii has over 200 members in the State including local developers, owners, investors, asset managers, lenders and other professionals.

HB 1357 makes permanent Act 141, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2009, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) upon the department's request. The measure further, makes permanent Act 98, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2012, which requires the counties to issue affordable housing credits for each residential unit developed by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

NAIOP Hawaii is supportive of all policies which encourage the construction of much needed housing stock for our local residents. The affordable housing credits will be a tool for homes to be built and provides a means for market developers to fulfill their affordable housing requirements with less risk. Hawaii residents are in need of housing and these credits will continue development of units.

Accordingly, NAIOP Hawaii supports all tools which actually get homes built for our residents. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Mahalo for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Camp".

Jennifer Camp, President
NAIOP Hawaii



February 6, 2023

Chair Shimabukuro
Vice Chair Fevella
Members of the Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

Subject: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB1357
February 7, 2023 at 1:01p.m.
Via Video Conference/Conference Room 224

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro, Vice Chair Fevella, and members of the Committee:

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 which makes permanent the affordable housing credit program for DHHL.

Affordable housing credits utilized by DHHL allows it to generate capital to fund the development of homestead projects. It also allows DHHL to trade the credits for land that is closer to existing infrastructure than DHHL’s lands and therefore less expensive to develop as homesteads.

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

Sincerely,

Everett R. Dowling
President

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SB-1357

Submitted on: 2/6/2023 7:57:59 PM

Testimony for HWN on 2/7/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Nani Medeiros	Testifying for Chief Housing Officer, Office of the Governor, State of Hawaii	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

In support, mahalo.