

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2742
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2742, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LANDLORD-TENANT CODE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Extend the notice period for summary possession proceedings from five days to fifteen days for failure to pay rent;
- (2) Require landlords to provide the notice to mediation centers;
- (3) Require landlords to enter into mediation if scheduled by a tenant, which will delay when a landlord may file an action for summary possession except in cases where a tenant cancels the mediation or does not appear;
- (4) Restrict when landlord remedies are available depending on the amount of rent due; and
- (5) Appropriate funds for the Judiciary to contract for mediation services.



Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary; Ku'ikahi Mediation Center; Mediation Center of the Pacific; and Mediation Centers of Hawaii. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i Association of REALTORS.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2742, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



