

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2244

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2908
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2908 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit residential rent increases in affected areas for an unspecified period after a severe storm warning or issuance of an emergency proclamation.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency, UNITE HERE Local 5, Lahaina Strong, Hawaii Financial Services, and sixty-six individuals.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from Hawai'i Association of REALTORS.

Your Committees find that emergencies, whether caused by severe storms or other unforeseen circumstances, can have devastating impacts on individuals and families, particularly regarding housing. Your Committees further finds that it is crucial to prioritize the welfare of Hawaii residents during severe storm warnings or emergency proclamations. This measure



will provide renters and tenants with housing and rent stability during a state of emergency or local state of emergency.

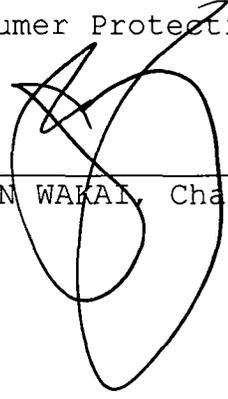
Your Committees have amended this measure by inserting an effective date of January 1, 2042, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Commerce and Consumer Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2908, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2908, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Commerce and Consumer Protection,



JARRETT KEOKALOLE, Chair

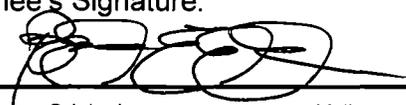


GLENN WAKAI, Chair



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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"				✓
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>			<i>1</i>
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