

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 12 , 2024

RE: S.C.R. No. 115

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 115 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING DEVELOPERS TO INCORPORATE NET ZERO WATER BUILDING STRATEGIES WHEN CONSTRUCTING AND RENOVATING HOUSING PROJECTS IN THE STATE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage developers to incorporate net zero waste building strategies when constructing and renovating housing projects in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation and Ulupono Initiative.

Your Committee finds that the fresh water resources of the State are vital and finite and in recent years, some of Hawaii's waters have been severely polluted by a variety of toxic contaminants. Your Committee further finds that as recommended by the United States Department of Energy, developers can help sustain the State's fresh water resources by designing and constructing net zero water housing projects that minimize total water consumption and wastewater discharge and maximize alternative water sources. Your Committee believes that the construction of net zero water housing in the State would reduce



the impact on aquifers and water reclamation infrastructure and conserve more water resources.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 115 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

for 
LUKE A. EVSLIN, Chair



