

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 660

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 741  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 741,  
H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt certain projects funded by the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund from prevailing wages provisions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; Hawaii Habitat for Humanity Association; Maui Chamber of Commerce; Habitat for Humanity Hawaii Island, Inc.; and Hawai'i Community Lending. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Pacific Resource Partnership; Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund has limited resources to afford the costs associated with the construction of affordable homes and meet prevailing wages requirements. Your Committee recognizes that prevailing wages requirements ensure that workers are fairly compensated however, your Committee finds that it is important to encourage affordable housing development for residents.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 741, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

  
JACKSON D. SAYMA, Chair

Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 741, HD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HSG, LAB, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/13/25</b>
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)     Pass, with amendments (HD)     Hold  
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SAYAMA, Jackson D. (C)	X			
2. LEE, Mike (VC)		X		
3. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya	X			
4. KAPELA, Jeanne				X
5. KONG, Sam Satoru	X			
6. REYES ODA, Julie				X
<b>TOTAL (6)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>

The recommendation is:  Adopted     Not Adopted  
 If joint referral, \_\_\_\_\_ did not support recommendation.  
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature:

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