

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1365

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 16 2009

RE: S.C.R. No. 31
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 31, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO
CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE
PUUWAI MOMI AND WEST OAHU ASSET MANAGEMENT PROJECTS (KNOWN AS
AMP 30 AND AMP 44) TO COMPARE THE PERFORMANCE OF STATE
OPERATED AND PRIVATELY OPERATED PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES;
AND TO DETERMINE THE RELATIVE CONTRIBUTIONS OF FUNDING
LEVELS, MISMANAGEMENT, AND TENANT AND VISITOR ACTIONS TO THE
FAILURE TO MEET STANDARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Auditor to
conduct a review of the performance of the management of the
Puuwai Momi and West Oahu asset management projects.

More specifically, the purpose of the review is to compare
the performance of state operated and privately operated public
housing properties, and to determine the relative contributions of
funding levels, mismanagement, and tenant and visitor actions to
the failure to meet performance standards for these properties.

Your Committee finds that there have been long-standing
problems relating to the management and maintenance of many of the
public housing projects managed by the Hawaii Public Housing
Authority. These problems have culminated in federal and state
class action lawsuits in December 2008, on behalf of residents at
two of the largest and oldest housing projects managed by the

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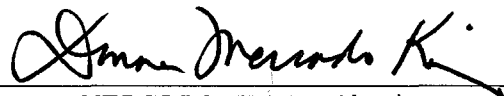
Hawaii Public Housing Authority. Your Committee further notes that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is extensively monitored and audited by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which found in 2008 that four asset management projects failed to meet federal requirements for physical conditions of the projects. Of these four projects, two were directly managed and operated by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, while the other two were managed and operated by privately contracted property managers.

Your Committee believes that a review by the Auditor of the performance of the management of two asset management projects, one directly operated by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and one operated by a private property management company, to compare the performance of state operated and privately operated projects will be useful in identifying the underlying problems relating to the management of public housing projects. Further, a review and determination of the relative contributions of funding levels, mismanagement, and tenant and visitor actions to the failure of these properties to meet performance standards will assist in formulating solutions to the problems.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical changes for purposes of clarity.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 31, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 31, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

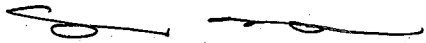


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 31, SD1	Committee Referral: EDH, WAM	Date: 4-8-2009		
<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
· KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
· TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
· CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
· ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
· FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
· GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
· HEE, Clayton				/
· HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
· KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
· KOKUBUN, Russell S.				/
· TOKUDA, Jill N.				/
· HEMMINGGS, Fred	/			
TOTAL	8			4
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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