

House Committee on Finance

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1692

Chair Marcus Oshiro, Vice Chair Ken Ito, and members of the Finance Committee

Thank You for the opportunity to testify in strong support for HB 1692.

I am Dr. Inam Rahman, a medical doctor practicing in Hawaii for 15 years.

The intent of this bill is to impose limit of occupancy to transitional public housing and does not impact those individuals such as mental and/or physically disabled individuals, or retired for medical conditions for such reasons that they are incapacitated to improve their living conditions. The purpose of public housing is to give a chance to those who are in need to become self sufficient and eventually will become economic self reliant to be able to afford market housing. This is a measure that will break the cycle of generation to generation living in public housing that is intended for transition.

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