STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2449

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 2 6 2010

, S.B. No. 2277 RE:

S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2277, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to remove most procedural requirements preliminary to hearings for eviction of tenants from public housing projects.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1)Repeals the requirement that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority meet with tenants delinquent in the payment of rent prior to initiating eviction proceedings;
- (2) Requires the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to instead provide written notice in accordance with federal law; and
- Clarifies that evictions for federal low-income housing (3) tenants must be conducted by an eviction board.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority. Written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's current eviction process is inefficient and exceeds federal requirements. Your Committee believes that conforming the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's eviction process to federal law for public housing projects will streamline the eviction process and allow the authority to efficiently provide housing for other needy individuals and families waiting for a unit.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2099, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2277, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2277, S.D. 2.

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

DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date: SB 2277, SDI EDH, WAY 2.24.10					
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)		1			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)		1			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		1			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		1			
FUKUNAGA, Carol		/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood		1			
HEE, Clayton		/			
HOOSER, Gary L.		7			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	- Continue of the Continue of	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.		7			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	A TORRESON AND A TORR	/	21.Ca-2.9988923238483233322		
HEMMINGS, Fred					
		-540			
		F /			
TOTAL			0	0	l
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
Distribution: Original Yellow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk's Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy					

^{*}Only one measure per Record of Votes