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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE:

S.B. No. 753

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 753 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 appropriate funds for security at public housing projects.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by on state agency. Copies of written testimony are available for review on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that adequate security remains one of the major concerns for both public housing tenants and the Hawaii Public Housing Authority. The Authority currently has a budget of approximately \$1,500,000 for security and estimates that it will need at least double that amount -- \$3,000,000 annually - to provide adequate security at public housing projects statewide.

Your Committee is in strong support of additional funding for security at public housing projects, and urges the Authority to consider alternative means of providing security, including resident managers and cooperative ventures with the police departments and other law enforcement agencies.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that the funding is for addressing security in public housing projects, to give the Authority the flexibility to consider these and other alternatives.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 753, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 753, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chai

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Education and Housing EDH

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SB 753 EDH, WAM 2-9-09				
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
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)				
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)				
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	V			
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