STAND. COM. REP. NO. 163

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 19 2009

RE: S.B. No. 758

S.D. 1

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. 758 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require new for-sale housing developments of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to designate thirty per cent of the units as affordable housing for residents in the low- or moderate-income ranges.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one state agency and one private organization. Testimony in opposition was submitted by one county agency and two private organizations. Copies of written testimony are available for review on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that this measure is one of many under consideration by the Legislature in response to severe shortages of affordable housing in Hawaii. Your Committee is concerned that a long-term economic crisis will further worsen what is already a challenging housing market for Hawaii residents.

Your Committee further finds that while the federal economic stimulus legislation will provide some relief, much more needs to be done at the state level. Your Committee has heard and approved a wide range of proposed affordable housing initiatives and

encourages further legislative discussions on the proposal in this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure to apply only to affordable housing in transit oriented developments by:

- (1) Amending the new section title to reflect this change and accordingly, to read as follows: "Housing development in transit oriented development; exemption from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules.";
- (2) Specifying that at least thirty per cent of the units shall be affordable housing;
- (3) Adding language related to exemptions from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules; and
- (4) Adding a definition of "transit oriented development".

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. 758, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 758, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs.

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

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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					
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