STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2443

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 2 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2319 S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2319, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOMELESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to better assist individuals facing or experiencing homelessness by funding various homeless and housing programs.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Catholic Charities Hawaii; Hawaii Disabilities Rights Center; Leeward Housing Coalition; United Self Help; International Game Developers Association Honolulu; Hawaii Catholic Conference; and one individual. Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Human Services; and Partners in Care.

Your Committee finds that homelessness continues to be one of the State's most significant and challenging social problems. According to a recent report, fourteen thousand two hundred homeless individuals were served through shelter and outreach programs in fiscal year 2011. Your Committee notes that homeless service providers estimate that six thousand homeless people in the State need shelter each night. To continue to address the problem of homelessness, adequate funding and coordinated efforts at all levels are necessary.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation and subsidy amounts to unspecified sums to facilitate further discussions; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of style and consistency.

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. 2319, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2319, S.D. 2.

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

DAVID Y. IGE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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SB 2319, SD1	HMS/HTH, WAM 2/28/12				
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
IGE, David Y. (C)					
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		/			
ESPERO, Will					
FUKUNAGA, Carol		/			
KIM, Donna Mercado					
KAHELE, Gilbert					
KOUCHI, Ronald D.					
RYAN, Pohai					
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
WAKAI, Glenn					
SLOM, Sam					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Nuhlle N - Ledoni					
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