

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2013

RE: H.B. No. 888
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Human Services and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred H.B. No. 888, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY ON PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a process whereby the Hawaii Public Housing Authority may dispose of abandoned or seized property that it has acquired on state low-income housing projects.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

Your Committees find that currently, when a tenant vacates the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's state low-income public housing developments, section 356D-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires that the Authority retain possession of such personal articles for a period of four months after termination of occupancy prior to disposing of them at auction. While the statute authorizes the Authority to place a lien on the personal property and to recover fees relating to storage and re-possession of the articles by the former tenant, costs incurred by this process far outweigh any benefits to the public because often times such personal property is of little value.

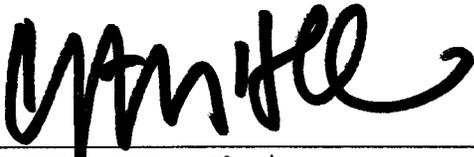


Your Committees further find that H.B. No. 888 (Regular Session of 2013), as introduced, takes into account the realities of the situation regarding abandoned or seized property at state public housing projects.

Your Committees have amended this measure by deleting its contents and inserting language from H.B. No. 888, as introduced, which provides a more streamlined process by which the Authority may dispose of abandoned or seized property that it has acquired on state public housing projects, and have an effective date of upon approval, and further amending the measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Human Services and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 888, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 888, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Human Services
and Judiciary and Labor,



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services
HMS

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 888, HD2	Committee Referral: HMS/JDL, WAM	Date: 3/19/11		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	/			
GREEN, Josh (VC)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				/
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

