

Measure Title: RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.

Report Title: Homeless; Housing; Pilot Program; Temporary Housing; Appropriation

Description: Establishes and appropriates funds for a temporary housing pilot program to be developed on Hawaiian homestead lands by the department of human services as an alternative housing solution for homelessness.

Companion:

- Package: Housing and Homeless
- Current Referral: HMS/THA, WAM

Introducer(s): CHUN OAKLAND



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February 7, 2013

# TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair Senate Committee on Human Services

The Honorable Brickwood Galuteria, Chair Senate Committee on Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

## SUBJECT: S.B. 514 - RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Hearing: Thursday, February 7, 2013; 2:00 p.m. Conference Room 016, State Capitol

**PURPOSE**: The purpose of this bill is to require the Department of Human Services (DHS), in consultation with the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness, homeless services providers, and other appropriate entities, to establish a three-year temporary housing pilot program to be developed on Hawaiian homestead lands as an alternative housing solution for homelessness.

**DEPARTMENT'S POSITION**: The Department of Human Services supports the desire to end homelessness but opposes the strategy and approach set forth in S.B. 514 because it is inconsistent with best practices and policies endorsed by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness chaired by General Eric Shinseki, and the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness, all of which support permanent supportive housing as the most effective means to end homelessness.

Section 1 of the bill states that building temporary housing where an individual is able to live for up to three years duration is desirable, yet is silent on the fact that federal and state funds are presently being used to operate emergency and transitional shelters where individuals may live and receive necessary counseling and other services for up to two years duration, and even longer, if the facts warrant an extension. The existence of these shelters across Hawaii indicates that entering into shelter care is an option that homeless individuals may not avail themselves of for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is an unwillingness to be subject to the rules of the shelter designed to protect the members of the community and to assist residents in their rehabilitation efforts. Instead of creating another transitional housing, (i.e. temporary) program, the DHS would encourage the Legislature to support the existing shelter system and all efforts to develop permanent affordable housing.

Section 2 (a) of the bill mandates that the DHS develop a three year temporary housing pilot program on Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) homestead lands, even though those Hawaiian homestead lands are specifically designated as trust lands set aside to serve the needs of native Hawaiian beneficiaries under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, the Hawaii State Constitution, and the Hawaii Revised Statutes. Section 2 is silent as to who the beneficiaries of this temporary housing on these DHHL trust lands will be, and it appears as though these Hawaiian trust lands may be used to serve other than native Hawaiian beneficiaries. The DHS has concerns about such provisions because of the trust responsibilities involved and would defer to the DHHL to address legal and constitutional concerns and to inform the Senate of its findings.

Section 2(c) of the bill also mandates that the DHS shall be the developer of this temporary housing when the reality is that the DHS does not develop housing whereas the

DHHL has a long history of doing so for its beneficiary class. The DHS is willing, however, to contribute programmatic expertise if a need for support services is necessary.

The last sentence in Section 2(c) further mandates that the Department of Land and Natural Resources shall be involved in contracting for the land presently under the dominion and control of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and which is part and parcel of its set of Hawaiian Homestead trust lands, without adequately addressing the constitutional and statutory prohibitions on another agency, other than the DHHL, engaging in such actions and removing such lands from the set of these Hawaiian Homestead Trust Lands. Again, the DHS would urge the DHHL to address these issues and to inform the Senate of its findings.

The DHS believes that collaboration and coordination is key if homelessness is to be addressed and ended. The DHS is also aware that the largest demographic of homeless families and children in Hawaii are Native Hawaiian, and that both the DHHL and the DHS have substantial roles to play if we are to address the needs of Native Hawaiians who are homeless in their homelands. The DHS believes that collaboration and coordination between these two agencies is possible through existing administrative and executive channels, and that a legislative proposal at this juncture is premature.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony on this bill.

#### TESTIMONY ON SB 514 RELATING TO HOMELESS BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HUMAN SERVICES AND TOURISM AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

February 7, 2013

2:00 PM

Conference Rm. 016

Aloha Chairs Chun Oakland and Galuteria, Vice-Chairs Green and Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committees on Human Services and Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs, my name is Stephen Morse. I am the Executive Director of Blueprint for Change (BFC) and am here today to support SB 514.

Members, for the record, BFC is the fiscal, technical, and administrative support entity for five Neighborhood Place centers statewide that provide support and strengthening services to families at risk of child abuse and neglect under a POS contract with the Department of Human Services. Our Neighborhood Place programs are unique among CAN prevention programs for two reasons: (1) they are the only places where children and families at risk of child abuse and neglect can get services without a referral or appointment and by simply knocking on the door; and (2) because many of the children and families we serve are Native Hawaiian, the NP services are culturally congruent, and for the most part, non-clinical.

Sadly, we find that one of the biggest risk factors for child neglect in the Native Hawaiian families we serve is that they are homeless, and often, homelessness becomes a revolving door for these families because of a myriad of other socioeconomic problems they are mired in, including unemployment and low incomes, substance abuse, and chronic health problems. If we are going to break the cycle of homelessness and prevent the generational neglect of children within these families, we need to develop innovative housing solutions that provide these families with both stable housing and access to wrap around social services, and perhaps, it's time we turn to more traditional ways to lead Native Hawaiian families out of homelessness.

Made popular by a book written several years ago by former Secretary of State and First Lady, Hillary Clinton, the concept of "it takes a village" to raise a child was actually practiced by Native Hawaiians for hundreds of years prior to and after the arrival of Westerners. Members of an extended `ohana lived in small villages, in complexes called, "Kauhale," and child rearing was a village/complex responsibility. These kauhale were clusters of living, cooking, eating, meeting, storage, and ancillary shelters. At the center of the village or within the kauhale themselves, was a larger shelter called a "halau," which was used for larger meetings, teaching, kukakuka (discussions) on village issues, and to air grievances and making things right, or "ho'oponopono."

Several years ago when I was employed as the Chief Housing Officer for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Richard "Likeke" Paglinawan, an esteemed Social Worker and Hawaiian Cultural Practitioner who was serving as OHA's Administrator at the time, shared with me a manuscript he had written on the Hawaiian "Kauhale." What struck me was how perfectly designed the Kauhale was for the extended members of an `ohana, because besides sharing daily responsibilities such as cooking or child rearing, it kept the other important aspect of an `ohana intact, problem-solving.

The point I'm trying to make in this testimony is that by the enactment of this bill, we could use the pilot project as the means to re-create a Kauhale complex for Native Hawaiian families which would not only stabilize their living situations, but through connecting to their culture, help them resolve their

underlying socioeconomic problems with support from each other and social service providers like Neighborhood Places.

Recently, State Homeless Coordinator, Colin Kippen, organized a group of social service providers, including myself, and asked for help in coming up with Native Hawaiian solutions for the Native Hawaiian homeless. I am confident that this working group is ready and willing to work with the Legislature and executive branch of government to make the plan called for in SB 514 a reality.

Aloha and Mahalo for allowing us the opportunity to testify this afternoon.



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#### Testimony of Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice Supporting SB 514 Relating to the Homeless Senate Committee on Human Services and Senate Committee on Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs Scheduled for Hearing on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 2:00 PM, Room 016

Thank you for an opportunity to testify in support Senate Bill 514, which would establish a pilot program creating a temporary housing pilot program on Hawaiian homestead lands as an alternative housing solution for homelessness.

Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) law firm created to advocate on behalf of low income individuals and families in Hawai'i on civil legal issues of statewide importance. Our core mission is to help our clients gain access to the resources, services, and fair treatment that they need to realize their opportunities for self-achievement and economic security.

Hawai'i's homelessness problem has reached crisis proportions:

- Hawai'i's rate of homelessness is the third highest among the states.
- Around 27 percent of those using shelter or outreach programs are Native Hawaiian or part Native Hawaiian, according to the 2012 Homeless Service Utilization Report.
- Hawai'i faces a severe affordable housing shortfall, with many individuals residing long-term in shelters because no permanent affordable housing is available.

A housing pilot on Hawaiian homestead lands could be one innovative solution among many to a complex problem. Individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds become homeless for many different reasons, and other than placement in stable permanent housing, there is no one-size-fits-all solution. Secure housing is a fundamental human need that must be met before individuals experiencing homelessness can address issues such as managing mental illness or finding employment. Despite the efforts of the state and social service providers, homelessness has not significantly abated, and many members of our community remain on the streets or in shelters intended for short-term emergency use. It is time to experiment with new options such as this housing pilot so that this problem is approached from all angles.

We also respectfully comment that some designs considered temporary can be made actually suitable for permanent housing at a fraction of the cost for traditional affordable housing units. Ultra-affordable yet durable and sustainable housing options could include:

- Well-designed single unit container housing with traditional interiors
- Yurt-style structures built from sturdy materials
- Pre-fabricated cottages or those made from affordable materials such as bamboo
- Micro-houses inspired by designs such as the Rural Studio's 550-750 square foot "\$20,000 House" or portable houses

Should the pilot prove successful, these structures could be used for years on-site. In the event the pilot program is discontinued, certain kinds of structures could be moved and used again, or reconstructed out of the existing materials.

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To: The Hawai'i State Senate Committees on Human Services and Hawaiian Affairs Re: SB 514

To: The Honorable Senators Chun-Oakland and Galuteria and the members of their committees.

Aloha,

The Community Alliance for Mental Health along with United Self Help supports SB 514 as a practical method for addressing the shortage of affordable housing in these islands.

Mahalo, Robert Scott Wall Vice-President

Submitted on: 1/31/2013 Testimony for HMS/THA on Feb 7, 2013 14:00PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Aaron Chichester	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Hawaiian Homelands for Hawaiian people.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bill Brown	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha, As a native Hawaiian on the homestead with many of my family members awaiting to be on the homestead, this measure INSULTS our federal mandate and to those on the waiting list. Please reconsider this measure with respect to our brothers and sisters awaiting to live on the home lands. E loko maika'i Bill Brown

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Brandi Reyes	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chandralean Lozada	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Charity Kaiu -Brown	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: There are way too much Hawaiians on the wait list... find another place to put the homeless!

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Charleston	mahoe	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Keep Hawaiian lands in Hawaiian hands

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Clifford	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Crystal Kia Paul	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Dear Chairs, Thank you so much for allowing me to submit testimony. I am a future beneficiary of DHHL. My father has been on the list since the early '80s. His number is around 1200 for Maui and 2500 for Oahu. I recall reading an article the Star Bulletin about an Oahu shelter not staying full because the homeless did not want to follow the rules set forth by the shelter. I also know the transitional/homeless shelter on the Big Island run by the county has a high vacancy level for the same reason. To be able to stay there you have to go through a treatment program. My questions are who's going to pay DHHL for the lease of the land. I know the state is not going to be able to take the money from one department to give to another department. If you can design and implement an inexpensive transitional housing, why not do it for the beneficiary of the land? DHHL beneficiaries should have the first opportunity to lease a home while waiting for their name to come up on the list. Also if you can build transitional housing, why not senior/assisted living housing for the native Hawaiians. Please do not allow this bill to move forward, there are more questions than answers provided. Thank you so much for your time. Crystal Kia Paul Denton, Texas

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Dee Palakiko	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Emerald Adams	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eva Eli	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: As a Native Hawaiian on the waiting list for a DHHL lease, I am appalled by the implications of this bill. I believe that every person on the waiting list should be awarded a lease before giving our lands to homeless citizens who rarely make an effort to contribute positively to our society. Reward hard workers first!

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EZRA	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I OPPOSE!!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Heather Boyle	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please respect the agreements that have been made with Native Hawaiians. Something needs to be done to assist homeless, but this cannot be the only option.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jacob chip	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Being a part hawaiian in a family that has and still are waiting for a homestead property, it does not sit well with us that you could give non-hawaiians a place to live, with assistance, on land meant for us hawaiians. So sad that you people could even think of this pilot program and push even more hawaiian families to wait longer for a land lease that already takes a liftime(literally) to be awarded/qualify for. I bet you'd never see a homeless pilot program in kahala, waialae, and hawaii kai, even though that would be a perfect location due to being close to hospitals and social services.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Janice Javar	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I feel that this bill is an injustice for the Native Hawaiian community. We DHHL applicants have no say in being placed on the land but legislature can decide for any organization to be placed on the land. Why is someone other than the native Hawaiian applicants allowed to utilize our lands?

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JAZZMEN	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: HOW DID HAWAIIAN HOMESTEAD BECOME CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE SOLUTION?? WHAT ABOUT THE HAWAIIANS ALREADY ON THE LIST?? I DO NOT AGREE TO THIS BILL!!! A'OLE

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jonathan Taamu	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: I'am against this project of building big business on Hawaiian Homelands, and allowing non-Hawaiians to live on Hawaiian Homelands all for the association to have \$275,000.

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JOYCE KOLOWENA	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Due to the fact that this bill is not only unfair for our kanaka's still on the waiting list, but it is also not PONO!! I absolutely OPPOSE to this bill!!

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Jozie	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: I don't agree with this bill.hawaiianas are facing conflict living on land that was supposedly design for only hawaiians.so I don't feel it's okeh to take all homeless regardless their race.and starting a program that will allow them to live on Hawaiian home lands.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JULIE	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I OBJECT TO THE POSSIBILITY!! IT IS NOT OKAY TO CONSIDER OUR AINA AS A POTENTIAL SETTING!! I OPPOSE......

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Kamakana Aquino	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose this bill and any other bill to provide a temporary pilot program for homeless on Hawaiian Homestead Lands. These lands are for Native Hawaiians 50% or more, as stated in the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, as amended. To allow a temporary pilot program, will bypass those on the waiting list, who have waited for a life time to receive a home of their own. According to this bill, any homeless individual - Hawaiian or not, could be eligible to live on Hawaiian homestead land. I do believe that the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act is to support the living conditions of Native Hawaiians, by providing affordable housing and I do believe that homeless is a huge issue for all of us. But to side step the intent and process of what has already been established is not pono.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kamuela K. Moniz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This is a complete insult to the Hawaiian people. Just the thought of bypassing Hawaiians who have been waiting on the list for years to give the land to the homeless. I am a Hawaiian man on the waiting list. I left the islands to support my family and give my children a better life. And now for me avoiding welfare and contributing to society. You want to bypass me and give the Hawaiian homelands to individuals who are on welfare and do not contribute to society and worse of all ARE NOT EVEN HAWAIIAN. Turning the homestead in to low income housing. I would love to hear someone explain to me how this makes any sense. In fact whoever came up with this idea should be fired!

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Keoki Aiwohi	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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LEMONIE KOLOWENA	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: On behalf of my family, We are extremely against this bill!! There are many beneficiaries on the Hawaiian Homestead waiting list & this bill is not pono!! A'ole to SB514

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Leona Leialoha	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha kakou! I have been on the DHHL waiting list for almost 40 years, my children have been on the waiting list for 15-20 years. I oppose your proposal of using DHHL lands for homeless people, Hawaiian or not, until there is no longer a WAITING LIST! I VOTE NO!

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marci M.	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please leave Hawaiian lands in Hawaiian hands. So much injustice has been done, and this will only add to it.

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Margaret Zerbe	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Maureen Mahealani Cruze	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose any and all measures which may violate the human rights of Native Hawaiians and may violate the civil rights of naturalized citizens. Respectfully,

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Mokulani Stephens	Individual	Oppose	No

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Momi	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: I myself oppose this project. I don't think it's fair that other nationalities are allowed to live on hawaiian homestead. You guys should keep our lands in hawaiian hands. Thank you & GOD bless

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Pomaika`i Leialoha	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: A`OLE!!!! A`OLE!!! THIS IS DEFINITELY NOT PONO!!!! PEOPLE STILL DYING ON THE WAITING LIST BECAUSE DHHL REQUIRES PRE-QUALIFYING!!!!! WE STILL HOMELESS!!!!! LET US OCCUPY OUR RIGHTFUL LANDS BEFORE ANYONE ELSE!!!!!

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ranette robinson strinz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: unless this bill is purposely for the homeless of hawaiian blood only, then I oppose this bill.

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Roger Walraven	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: NO Do not support this bill. It is a helper waiting to help itself.

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Ryan Kim	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: In today's economy, why does the focus seem solely on the homeless population. Aren't there thousands of Native Hawaiians still on the waiting list for Hawaiian Home Lands? Granted they may not meet the current loan criteria or financial plea but shouldn't the focus be on helping those who CAN help themselves? Is the homeless population Native Hawaiian in which they can actively participate to gain from the use of these trust lands?

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Stacelynn Eli	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: This is an insult to the 30k Native Hawaiians still waiting for homestead leases! This goes against the purpose for DHHL and the HHCA!!!!

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Paul Makuakane	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: DHHL should be putting native Hawaiians with blood quantam on homestead lands. Leave trust lands for homestead use. Paul Makuakane Ka'u, Hawaii

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