

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 767
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 767, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING
AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Provide that certain areas within Hawaii Public Housing Authority housing projects are closed to the public and amends criminal trespass in the second degree to permit the prosecution of an unauthorized entry or a violation of a written prohibition to enter into the subject housing projects; and
- (2) Clarify requirements for signage notifying trespassers of illegal entry.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of the Attorney General, Hawaii Public Housing Authority, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the safety and well-being of residents of public housing are important. These residents have the right to peacefully enjoy their homes without fear of unauthorized intruders at all hours of the day.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing references from "police officer" to "law enforcement officer"; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 767, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 767, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services and
Housing,

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SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services and Housing
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes