

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

802

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 906
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 906, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTIFIED OR APPROVED HOUSING PROJECTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure affordable rental projects by the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation remain affordable for a certain minimum period of time as a condition to establishing eligibility for exemptions from general excise taxes.

Specifically, this measure requires those projects seeking certification for the exemption to enter into a regulatory agreement with the Corporation which ensures compliance with applicable exemption eligibility requirements for the applicable minimum period of time set in statute.

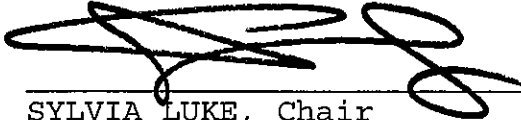
The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation supported this measure. The Department of Taxation and the Tax Foundation of Hawaii commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 906, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

HB906 HD1 HSCR FIN HMS 2015-2455



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

HSCR 802

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 906, HD1 | | Committee Referral: HSG, FIN | | Date: 3/4/15 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Pass, unamended (as is) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pass, with amendments (HD) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | |
| FIN Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. LUKE, Sylvia (C) | / / | | | |
| 2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC) | / / | | | |
| 3. CACHOLA, Romy M. | / / | | | |
| 4. CULLEN, Ty J.K. | / / | | | |
| 5. DECOITE, Lynn | / / | | | |
| 6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling | / / | | | |
| 7. JORDAN, Jo | / / | | | |
| 8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett | / / | | | |
| 9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand | / / | | | |
| 10. LOWEN, Nicole E. | / / | | | |
| 11. ONISHI, Richard H.K. | / / | | | |
| 12. TOKIOKA, James Kunane | / / | | | |
| 13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. | / / | | | |
| 14. POUHA, Feki | / / | | | |
| 15. WARD, Gene | / / | | | |
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| TOTAL (15) | 15 | | | |
| The recommendation is: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted | | |
| If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ | | | | |
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