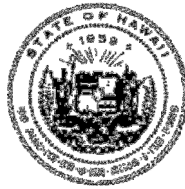


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Relating to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority

Honorable Chairs Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran and Jill N. Tokuda, and Members of the Senate Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means, thank you for this opportunity to provide comments regarding House Bill (H.B.) 767, House Draft (H.D.) 2, Senate Draft (S.D.) 1, relating to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) strongly supports this measure to clarify trespassing in the second degree at HPHA housing projects. We believe that this measure is necessary for the safety and well-being of our residents who have the right to peacefully enjoy their homes without fear of unauthorized intruders at all hours of the day.

The HPHA continues to work with the Department of the Attorney General to craft language that effectuates the purpose of the bill while carefully considering potential constitutional and enforcement issues.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committees on Judiciary and Labor and Ways and Means with the HPHA's position regarding H.B. 767, H.D. 2, S.D. 1. We respectfully request the Committee to **pass H.B. 767, H.D. 2, S.D. 1**, and we thank you very much for your dedicated support.