

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3682

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 06 2018**

RE: H.B. No. 2330  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation's authority to approve and certify for exemption from general excise and use taxes any qualified person or firm involved in the new construction or substantial rehabilitation of certain housing projects.

The measure also repeals certain application and monetary limitations on the tax exemptions and prohibits tax exemption recipients from discriminating against potential tenants because they utilize vouchers or certificates provided under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism; Department of Taxation; Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; Hawaii Public Housing Authority; Hawaii Construction Alliance; and Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii.



Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

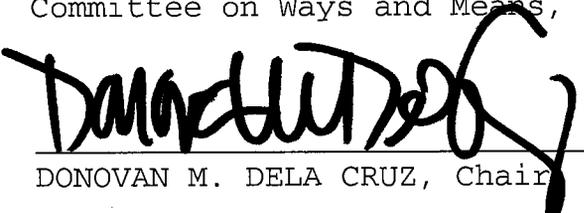
Your Committee finds that this measure will facilitate the availability of affordable housing by providing businesses a reasonable incentive to construct new housing or substantially rehabilitate existing housing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the requirement that the total weighted average of all units provided in an approved and certified project be no more than one hundred percent of the area median family income;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2018; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



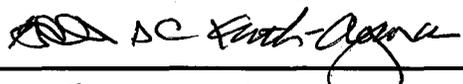
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DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 2390 HD1 SD1	HOU, WAM	4/3/18		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene				X
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				X
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	9			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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