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State Capitol, Conference Room 225 in consideration of SB 2758 Relating to Housing

The County of Hawai'i Planning Department would like to express its **SUPPORT** of H.B. 2331 and S.B. 2758 that provides for an expedited land use approval process relating to affordable housing projects, especially since it would similarly align the Chapter 201H authorities for both State Land Use District Boundary amendments and County Zoning Districts affecting lands 15-acres or less in size with the respective counties.

The individual counties already have the ability to amend the State Land Use District boundaries for lands 15-acres or less in size via Chapter 205-3.1(c), so it makes sense for Chapter 201H-38 to follow Chapter 205-3.1(c) and offer similar authority to the counties.