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Honolulu, Hawaii

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, 2021

RE: H.B. No. 502 H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 502, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RURAL DISTRICTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to enable greater opportunities to provide housing in the State by allowing the counties to adopt ordinances that allow for increased dwelling density in certain rural districts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Association of REALTORS.

Your Committee finds that this measure will provide the counties with some flexibility in addressing their housing shortage by authorizing ordinances that would allow for one dwelling house to be constructed on one-quarter acre in rural districts, rather than one dwelling house per one-half acre. Your Committee further finds that protections are afforded by the requirement of consistency with the county general plan and associated community plans.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 502, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 502, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land,

DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

HB502, HD1	Committee Referral: HSO, WAL	, FIN Date:	2/10/	2021
☐ The committee is reconsidering its prev	vious decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: ☐ Pass, unamended (as is) ☐ Pass, with amendments (HD) ☐ Hold ☐ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TARNAS, David A. (C)	8			
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2. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana (VC)	7			
3. GANADEN, Sonny	7			
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8. McDERMOTT, Bob	<u> </u>			
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TOTAL (8)	7			1
The recommendation is: ■ Add If joint	opted Not Adopt	did not suppor	rt recommendation	n.
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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