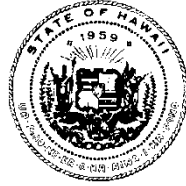


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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

Thursday, April 14, 2022
10:00 AM – Videoconference – Room 423, Hawaii State Capitol

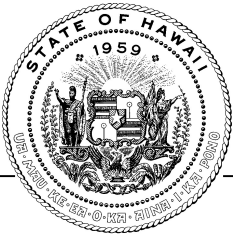
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**REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TO CONVENE A
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HAWAII STATE PLANNING ACT**

Honorable Chair Nakamura, and Members of the House Committee on Housing, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments for Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 232, SD1.

The HPHA stands ready to assist the Legislature and OPSD in this endeavor and looks at this measure as an opportunity to be part of the overall solution needed to address affordable housing related issues in Hawaii.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Committees with the HPHA's testimony. We thank you very much for your dedicated support.



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PLANNING ACT.**

Chair Nakamura, Vice Chair Hashimoto, and Members of the House Committee on Housing.

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) offers **comments and concerns** on SCR 232 that calls on OPSD to convene a multi-agency working group with the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC), Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA), and the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) to make recommendations for planning, coordinating, and implementing the objective and policies for housing in the Hawaii State Planning Act.

While OPSD fully supports planning for the State's socio-cultural advancement with regard to housing, we would need one FTE position and \$150,000 funding for planning support to assume the additional responsibilities for undertaking a well-coordinated multi-agency and stakeholder effort to plan, assess and develop recommendations for attaining the housing objectives and policies in the Hawaii State Plan.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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HHFDC offers comments on S.C.R. 232 SD1. This resolution requests the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to convene a multi-agency working group to make recommendations for planning, coordinating, and implementing the objectives and policies for housing in the Hawaii State Planning Act. Additionally, OPSD is to submit its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2023.

HHFDC recognizes the need for greater collaboration among state agencies responsible for housing development in the State and wants to contribute to these important efforts.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.