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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of
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Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND
AND
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**

April 01, 2022 at 1:05 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 229

In consideration of
S.C.R. 178/ S.R. 171

**REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, IN
CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION AND
THE ISLAND BURIAL COUNCILS, TO CONTRACT REVIEW OF PROPOSED
AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS TO THIRD PARTY CONSULTANTS.**

HHFDC *offers comments* on S.C.R. 178/ S.R. 171. This resolution requests that DLNR's SHPD contract its review of certain projects to eligible third party consultants if they involve the development of affordable housing and SHPD cannot provide written concurrence or non-concurrence within sixty days.

SHPD's engagement of third-party contractors could serve to help expedite the review process so that more affordable housing units can be produced in a timely manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.