

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3087**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 15 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2218
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
H.B. No. 2218, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION
ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the
Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, as amended, to increase the
loan limit for direct loans provided by the Department of Hawaiian
Home Lands from fifty percent to seventy-five percent of the
maximum single residence loan amount allowed in Hawaii by the
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's
Federal Housing Administration.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and Office of Hawaiian
Affairs.

Your Committee finds that under the Hawaiian Homes Commission
Act of 1920, as amended, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is
authorized to provide direct loans to beneficiaries for the
repair, maintenance, purchase, and erection of a dwelling,
provided that these loans do not exceed fifty percent of the
maximum single residence loan amount allowed in Hawaii by the
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's



Federal Housing Administration. Native Hawaiian beneficiaries are in need of more financial assistance due to rising construction and development costs. This measure raises the loan limit for a single residence loan amount to allow beneficiaries to purchase a home or make improvements to their existing home.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making it effective upon its approval; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2218, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2218, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,



MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312
 Pass, with amendments 2311
 Hold 2310
 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (C)	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt (VC)	X			
IHARA, Jr., Les	X			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	X			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	X			
TOTAL	5			

Recommendation:
 Adopted
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Kurt Fevelle*

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