

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 44

S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Water and Land and Housing, to which was referred S.R. No. 44 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A MULTIAGENCY WORKING GROUP TO UPDATE THE MAPS, TIER TABLES, AND INVENTORIES OF STATE LANDS SUITABLE AND AVAILABLE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Hawaii Community Development Authority to establish a multiagency working group to update maps, tier tables, and inventories of state lands suitable and available for affordable housing development.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services and Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development and Hawai'i Community Development Authority.

Your Committees find that Hawaii has been in the midst of a housing shortage for decades. A 2015 report by the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism titled "Measuring Housing Demand in Hawaii, 2015-2025" projected that housing demand will exceed sixty thousand units, with nearly seventy percent



needed for households earning eighty percent or less of the Area Median Income. Your Committees conclude that updates to the maps, tier tables, and inventories of state lands will be a helpful tool for the development of new affordable housing.

Your Committees recognize that resources are needed for the Hawaii Community Development Authority as well as for infrastructure needs for the future.

Your Committees have amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water and Land and Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 44, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 44, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water and Land
and Housing,



STANLEY CHANG, Chair



LORRAINE R. INOUÉ, Chair



