
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOUSING PREFERENCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a shortage
2 of affordable housing in Hawaii. Further, many workers face
3 difficulty commuting to and from work. Long commutes strain
4 transportation infrastructure and exacerbate global warming by
5 increasing the emissions of greenhouse gases from vehicles.
6 Long commute times also impair worker productivity and personal
7 wellbeing, as well as harm the overall economic productivity of
8 the State.

9 Allowing people to live closer to where they work will help
10 preserve infrastructure, reduce greenhouse gas emissions,
11 improve workers' mental health, and help businesses by reducing
12 commute times.

13 The legislature also finds that housing development may
14 displace or adversely affect people who live in the immediate
15 vicinity of the projects, and that measures should be taken to
16 reduce these effects. Further, people often have strong ties to



H.B. NO. 1411

Report Title:

Affordable Housing; HHFDC; Geographic Preferences

Description:

Allows the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to allow projects to grant preferences in the sale or lease of housing units to applicants who live or work within 5 miles of the project.

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