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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

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In consideration of  
**S.B. 572 SD1 HD1**  
**RELATING TO HOUSING.**

Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Takenouchi, and members of the Committee.

HHFDC **supports** SB 572 SD1 HD1, which adds loan funds administered by Nonprofit Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) for certain for-sale affordable housing projects to the list of loan priorities for the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund (AHRF). It also expands the use of monies in the revolving fund to allow financing as matching funds for CDFIs to mobilize other funding sources.

AHRF was established via Act 227, SLH 2021, to offer loans to nonprofit CDFIs and nonprofit housing development organizations that develop affordable homeownership housing projects. Of the \$5 million appropriated for the program, there is \$3,128,687 left. The single applicant, Lima Ola, requested \$1,871,313 for the new construction of four three-bedroom units in Lihue, Kauai.

This bill would enable CDFIs to access additional capital from federal, private, and philanthropic sources. This effectively amplifies the impact of AHRF funds and increases the total resources available for more affordable for-sale housing projects. With more projects financed, AHRF can achieve faster fund recapture through loan repayments, ensuring the fund remains sustainable and can support future developments.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.