

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 , 2026

RE: H.B. No. 1742  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committees on Housing and Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1742 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the construction and occupation of self-contained relocatable housing units, with certain restrictions.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Hawai'i Association of REALTORS; Grassroot Institute of Hawaii; Housing Hawai'i's Future; Modular Building Institute; and one individual. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Health and one individual.

Your Committees find that Hawaii's ongoing housing crisis is driven not only by high construction costs and long development timelines, but also by a lack of flexible, lower-cost housing formats that can be rapidly deployed to meet shifting community needs. Your Committees further find that self-contained relocatable housing units can serve as an important tool in expanding the State's overall housing ecosystem by providing safe, small-footprint dwellings that function independently of traditional infrastructure and can be placed with minimal delay. This measure ensures that communities statewide have access to an



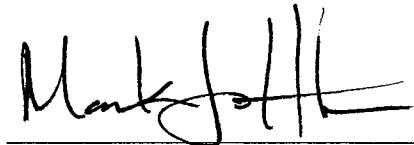
additional, adaptable form of housing that meets the needs of changing economic, environmental, and social conditions.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Prohibiting self-contained relocatable housing units from being used as a transient accommodation, rather than prohibiting their use as a transient accommodation and short-term rental;
- (2) Authorizing, rather than requiring, the Department of Health to adopt rules for the prohibition of certain uses of parked vehicles;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Housing and Water & Land that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1742, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1742, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Transportation.

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



MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



LUKE A. EVSLIN, Chair



HSCA 180-26

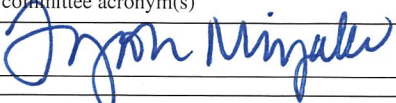
Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB1742</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HSG/WAL, TRN, JHA</b>	Date: <b>2/6/24</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pass, unamended (as is)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)	

HSG Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. EVSLIN, Luke A. (C)	✓			
2. MIYAKE, Tyson K. (VC)	✓			
3. COCHRAN, Elle		✓		
4. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada	✓			
5. KILA, Darius K.	✓			
6. KITAGAWA, Lisa	✓			
7. LA CHICA, Trish	✓			
8. MURAOKA, Christopher L.	✓			
9. PIERICK, Elijah	✓			
TOTAL (9)	8	1	0	0

The recommendation is: ☒ Adopted      ☐ Not Adopted

If joint referral, \_\_\_\_\_ did not support recommendation.  
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 

Distribution: Original (White) – Committee      Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk’s Office      Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO

HSCR 180-26

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1742		Committee Referral: HSG/WAL, TRN, JHA		Date: 2/6/2026	
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
WAL Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)		✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)		✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au		✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda					✓
5. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco			✓		
6. POEPOE, Mahina		✓			
7. WOODSON, Justin H.					✓
8. SHIMIZU, Garner M.			✓		
9. SOUZA, Kanani		✓			
TOTAL (9)		5	2	0	2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____					
Distribution: Original (White) – Committee Duplicate (Yellow) – Chief Clerk's Office Duplicate (Pink) – HMSO					