

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

509

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2011

RE: S.B. No. 690

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 690 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL
LANDLORD-TENANT CODE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to specify that a landlord and tenant in a rental agreement may agree that duly apportioned rent shall be due at intervals more frequently than monthly.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i Association of REALTORS.

Your Committee finds that this measure clarifies the existing law to specify that parties to a residential rental transaction may agree to payment of rent at intervals more frequently than monthly. Your Committee notes that existing law implicitly allows agreements of this type. However, your Committee finds that by explicitly enabling those agreements this measure assists renters who may have irregular income streams, such as those who work in the hospitality industry and derive a large portion of their income from tips, and who may find it easier to make several small payments rather than one large rental payment each month. Finally, your Committee finds that this measure benefits landlords and tenants by helping to ensure that renters are able to establish a payment schedule that allows them to remain current on their rent payments.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 690 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
CPN

Bill / Resolution No.:* <p style="text-align:center; font-size: 1.2em;">SB 690</p>	Committee Referral: <p style="text-align:center; font-size: 1.2em;">CPN</p>	Date: <p style="text-align:center; font-size: 1.2em;">2-23-11</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	7	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

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