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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO MODERNIZE DILAPIDATED FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS.

1 WHEREAS, many public housing projects owned and operated by  
2 the Hawaii Public Housing Authority ("Authority") are in poor  
3 physical condition and require repairs and modernization; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Authority has reported that as many as four  
6 hundred to six hundred units cannot be rented out due to  
7 uninhabitable conditions; and  
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9 WHEREAS, during the 2010 federal inspections, eleven out of  
10 the sixty-five federal public housing projects failed to pass,  
11 receiving a score of fifty-nine or below out of a possible one  
12 hundred, and approximately one-third of the Authority's federal  
13 public housing projects received a score of sixty-nine or below;  
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16 WHEREAS, the use of a public-private partnership to  
17 modernize the Kuhio Park Terrace federal public housing project  
18 has demonstrated that such partnerships can be successful in  
19 rapidly transforming the physical condition of a project for its  
20 residents; and  
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22 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban  
23 Development's ("HUD") Capital Fund Financing Program allows  
24 public housing authorities to borrow against their future annual  
25 allocations of capital funds to help finance modernization of  
26 federal public housing projects; and  
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28 WHEREAS, HUD's Rental Assistance Demonstration Program  
29 would allow public housing authorities to convert federal public  
30 housing properties into either Section 8 project-based voucher  
31 projects or project-based rental assistance contract projects,  
32 thereby allowing them to leverage private investment with



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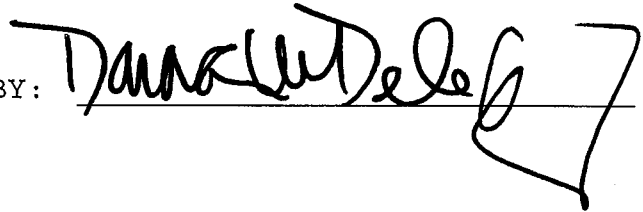
1 Section 8 subsidies to address current repair and redevelopment  
2 needs and permit future recapitalization of the properties; and  
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4 WHEREAS, under these HUD programs, the Authority is able to  
5 enter into public-private partnerships and may leverage its HUD  
6 subsidies with private investments to finance project capital  
7 improvements; now, therefore,  
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
10 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012, the  
11 House of Representatives concurring, that the Hawaii Public  
12 Housing Authority is urged to pursue public-private partnerships  
13 to modernize its federal public housing inventory; and  
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
16 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Executive Director  
17 of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and the Chairperson of  
18 the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.  
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OFFERED BY:

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