

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 9, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1308

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 1308 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to conduct a study, including a cost analysis, on the necessity and feasibility of establishing an agency within itself to provide general regulatory oversight of homeowners associations, and to submit a report to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2018 on its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation.

Associa, Hawaiian Paradise Park Homeowners Association, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. DCCA, Hawaii Community Associations Institute Legislative Action Committee, Hawaiian Properties, and several individuals commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Auditor instead of DCCA to conduct the study, including the cost analysis, and to submit the report of its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2018; and



- (2) Changing its effective date to take effect upon a date to be determined, to encourage further discussion on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1308, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1308, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Housing,



TOM BROWER, Chair



