

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3676

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2745
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2745, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase access to affordable rental housing.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Increases the minimum percentage of units that a rental housing project is required to maintain for low-income tenants;
- (2) Decreases the maximum income ceiling for a family or individual to be considered an eligible tenant under the Rental Assistance Program; and
- (3) Appropriates moneys to be deposited into the rental assistance revolving fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Catholic Charities Hawaii, and the



Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

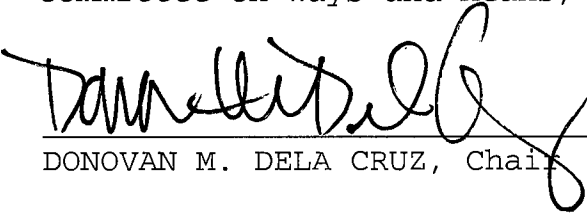
Your Committee finds that increasing the availability of and strengthening eligibility standards for affordable housing will increase access to affordable housing for many low-income households.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating moneys out of the rental assistance revolving fund to support new rental assistance program contracts; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2745, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2745, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

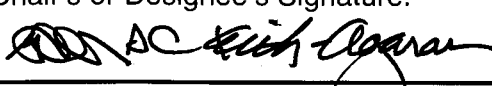


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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2745 HDI SDI	Committee Referral: HOU, WAM	Date: 4/4/18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
TOTAL	11	0	0	0
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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