

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

240

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2037

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 2037 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to restrict any county from disapproving or imposing certain conditions on a housing development project for housing or an emergency shelter unless the county meets certain requirements.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness and Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that over the past four years, the Governor has used emergency proclamations to address homelessness by accelerating construction of housing projects. Through the use of proclamations, a total of 354 new permanent housing units were produced and set aside for individuals and families transitioning from homelessness. Your Committee further finds that emergency proclamations are not intended to be extended indefinitely and measures are needed to streamline housing development without the use of emergency declaration. This measure will help expedite the production of housing development projects or emergency shelters. Your Committee further finds that the dwelling unit revolving fund



supports the development of affordable housing projects statewide. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring that all fines paid pursuant to this measure be paid into the dwelling unit revolving fund;
- (2) Clarifying that the term "housing development project" applies to residential units that are priced to be affordable to those residents at or below one hundred per cent area median income;
- (3) Deleting provisions which could be contradictory; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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 S.B. No. 2037, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2037, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

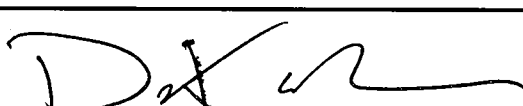
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Housing,


STANLEY CHANG, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2037	Committee Referral: HOU, JDC	Date: 1-30-20		
<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
CHANG, Stanley (C)	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo (VC)	✓			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.			✓	
THIELEN, Laura H.			✓	
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	3		2	
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">  </div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes