

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 120
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 120 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and the appropriation of funds for deposit into the rental housing trust fund and the dwelling unit revolving fund to finance affordable rental housing development and infrastructure development;
- (2) Appropriate funds for the construction of micro apartment housing units; and
- (3) Appropriate funds to the Department of Human Services to continue to administer housing first programs for chronically homeless.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Catholic Charities Hawaii, Faith Action for Community Equity, Hawai'i Association of REALTORS, Hawaii Catholic Conference, Hawaii Primary Care Association, Partners in Care, The CHOW Project, PHOCUSED, Building Industry Association of Hawaii, Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, and nine



individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Taxation.

Your Committee finds that affordable housing is a serious concern for many Hawaii residents. According to the 2011 Hawaii Housing Planning Study, up to 50,000 new housing units will need to be built by 2016 to meet the new demand generated by changing demographics and economic conditions. Failure to produce sufficient units for low- and moderate-income households will cause pent-up demand in these market segments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Increasing the amount of general obligation bonds authorized for issuance, the proceeds of which are for deposit into the rental housing trust fund, from \$60,000,000 to \$100,000,000;
- (2) Increasing the amount of funds appropriated out of the rental housing trust fund from \$60,000,000 to \$100,000,000 for the purposes set forth in section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 120, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 120, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

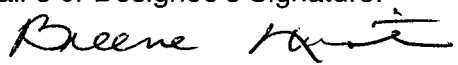
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services and
Housing,


SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services and Housing
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 120	Committee Referral: HSH, WAM	Date: 1/31/15		
<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
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
GREEN, Josh (VC)				✓
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	3			2
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