

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 329-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 1984

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Housing, to which was referred H.B. No. 1984 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect public housing residents by prohibiting the consumption of liquor in common areas of public housing projects.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority, Honolulu Police Department (HPD), and many concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. A concerned individual provided comments.

Your Committee respectfully requests the Committee on Judiciary to examine civil rights and constitutional issues related to this measure. Your Committee also notes that the presence of more resident managers around-the-clock may help to curb or monitor potentially disruptive activity. HPD indicated that public housing projects are considered a quasi-private area, which has prevented arrests for public consumption of liquor and trespassing. This measure would allow arrests to be made.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1984 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB1984 HSCR HSH HMS 2008-1824



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



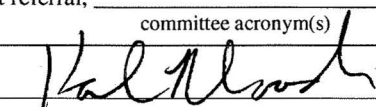
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MAILE SHIMABUKURO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services & Housing

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 1984</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HSH, JUD</b>	Date: <b>February 5, 2008</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HSH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L. (C)	X			
2. RHOADS, Karl (VC)	X			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	X			
4. BELATTI, Della Au	X			
5. BERTRAM, Joe, III	X			
6. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	X			
7. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	X			
8. MIZUNO, John	X			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	X			
10. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	X			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>				
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