

SB 1268

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TESTIMONY OF MICAH A. KANE, CHAIRMAN  
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BEFORE THE JOINT SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND  
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND  
EDUCATION AND HOUSING

ON SB 1268  
RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

February 13, 2009

Chair Hee, Chair Sakamoto and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands support the intent of SB 1268 which proposes to amend the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920 and HRS Chapter 46-15.1 pertaining to County organization and administration. We support this legislation that promotes private-public partnerships that will bring affordable homes to each county during this economic downturn.

While the state is managing a housing shortage, housing developers in Hawaii, including DHHL, have difficulty meeting the demand because of funding and financing, especially in a recession. DHHL has approximately 20,000 native Hawaiians on our waitlist, waiting for an opportunity for home ownership. This bill would allow

DHHL to provide homes to its beneficiaries and alleviate the housing crisis; a true win-win situation.

While we support the intent of this bill, we recommend several changes:

First, we propose that the changes in section one of the bill be completely eliminated since it is not necessary; DHHL already has the authority to receive affordable housing credits. Second, under section 2 (a), item 9, of SB 1268, we recommend replacing it with the following language:

"Issue affordable housing credits to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) and allow DHHL to transfer or assign those credits to the developer who built the affordable units. The credits can be applied to satisfy the affordable housing obligations imposed upon the developer by the county. The credits will be issued on a one-for-one basis and can be applied to any project by the said developer within the same county for which the credit was earned."

These changes provide clarity on the housing powers of the county to help achieve the goal of private-public sector partnerships to build affordable homes.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



**SB1268 Relating to Affordable Housing**  
Senate Committee on Education and Housing  
Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs &  
Ocean Resources

February 13, 2009  
Room 225

1:30 pm

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs **supports** the purpose and intent of SB 1268..

The growing affordable housing problem is one of the most critical issues faced by our communities, especially our Native Hawaiian communities. This issue seems to have many of our families struggling to find adequate housing and to make ends meet.

The continued increased pressure on government to provide financing assistance and reduce government barriers for the development of affordable housing has not ceased. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands need to have options when developing affordable housing. The ability to assign, transfer, or exchange county affordable housing credits need to be provided to this agency to meet its' beneficiaries needs.

Relating this to stimulus packages approved and being discussed by the federal government conditions assistance on the speed of being able to start a project in a fairly short period of time. Time is crucial to effect change and is crucial in keeping projects affordable.

We recognize that physical solutions by themselves will not solve social and economic problems, but neither can economic vitality, community stability, and environmental health be sustained without a coherent and supportive physical framework. This bill may assist the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands in providing a much needed changed framework.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to provide this testimony and request your support.



## KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND  
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND TO THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND HOUSING

By

Paul Quintiliani, Director  
Endowment/Commercial Assets Division  
Kamehameha Schools

Hearing Date: Friday, February 13, 2009  
1:30 p.m., Conference Room 225

February 12, 2009

TO: Senator Clayton Hee, Chair  
Members of the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and  
Hawaiian Affairs  
Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair  
Members of the Committee on Education and Housing

Thank you for the opportunity to **comment on SB No. 1268.**

Kamehameha Schools respectfully supports this measure.

Kamehameha Schools broadly supports the increasing availability of affordable housing throughout Hawai'i. We believe that the housing crisis in Hawai'i is real and requires immediate action. We also believe it is critically important to implement policies that will result in the construction of new affordable units (or retention of existing supply) and not have the unintended and ironic consequence of inhibiting construction altogether.

Our overarching comment is that provisions in statute, rules and policies concerning affordable housing must be viewed collectively for their contribution to an overall effective policy that promotes actual development of affordable housing. To achieve this desired outcome, we believe that a range of tools and strategies are needed.

SB No. 1268 is positive legislation that permits the department of Hawaiian home lands to receive and subsequently assign, transfer, or exchange county affordable housing credits. Measures such as these help to increase the overall supply and development feasibility of affordable housing throughout the State.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our views on this measure.

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February 7, 2009

To: **Senator Clayton Hee, Chair**  
**Sen. Jill Tokuda, Vice Chair & Members of the**  
**Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs**  
**Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair**  
**Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair & Members of the**  
**Committee on Education and Housing**

From: **Kali Watson**  
**Chairman of Statewide Economic Development Committee**  
**SCHHA**  
**Honolulu, Hawaii 96792**

Re: **Hearing on SB -1268 Relating to DHHL Affordable Housing**  
**Credits**  
February 13, 2009 at 1:30 pm  
Conference Room 225, State Capitol

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT**

Dear Chairs Hee and Sakamoto, Vice Chairs Tokuda and Kidani and Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support to SB 1268-relating to County Affordable Housing Credits. This bill permits DHHL to receive and subsequently assign, transfer, or exchange county affordable housing credits. If your Committees are serious about helping native Hawaiians obtain housing, then this bill is a significant and timely way to assist in the cost of housing. Hawaiian Community Development Board, a nonprofit developer, along with Everett Dowling Company recently attempted to do a 75 unit project on Maui in Keokea Waiohuli. Both developers pulled out because of expensive on site infrastructure and housing costs. If DHHL had been able to offer County Tax Credits, the Project may have survived.

The Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homelands Assembly, formerly the State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations was founded more than 20 years ago to unite homestead communities and to advocate for the beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1921. The SCHHA is the oldest statewide advocacy organization representing the interests of more than 30,000 beneficiaries and families residing in the communities of the Hawaiian Home Land Trust. Its mission is to promote the self determination of native Hawaiians and the well being of homestead communities. I urge you to please pass this measure, SB 1268.

Sincerely,

*Kali Watson*

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February 7, 2008

TO: Senator Clayton Hee, Chair  
Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs

Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair  
Committee on Education and Housing

FROM Richard Soo, Executive Director  
Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homelands Assembly  
(SCHHA)

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Hearing Date: Friday, February 13, 2009

**RE: SUPPORT OF SB1268 RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

The SCHHA supports the passage of SB1268 because its passage will ensure that DHHL will receive county affordable housing credits and then assign, transfer, or exchange these credits it receives. It will allow DHHL to attract development of affordable housing in homestead communities and ultimately place more native Hawaiians on their land.

Our organization was founded more than 20 years ago to unite homestead communities and to advocate for the beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920.

I ask that you and your committee members support the passage of SB 1268. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you in support of SB1268, Relating to Affordable Housing. If there are any further questions or requests for additional information, please feel free to contact me via my cell phone, (808) 227-2239 or email me at [soor001@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:soor001@hawaii.rr.com).

Sincerely Submitted,

Richard Soo  
Executive Director

Cc: Executive Council



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Date: February 10, 2009

To: Senator Clayton Hee, Chair, Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs  
Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair, Committee on Education & Housing  
Committee Members

Fr: Robin Puanani Danner, CNHA CEO & President

Re: **SB 1268 Relating to Affordable Housing - Support**

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB 1268, articulating affordable housing policy that is important to our state and its people.

CNHA is a nonprofit network of over 90 community organizations. Our mission is to enhance the well-being of Hawaii through the cultural, economic and community development of Native Hawaiians. We administer the **Native Hawaiian Policy Center**, along with our coalition partners, the **Native Hawaiian Economic Alliance** (NHEA) and the **Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homeland Assembly** (SCHHA). Throughout the year, we convene our respective members of small business owners, nonprofit executives, and homestead leaders to identify our annual policy priorities.

Of the thirteen policy issues adopted at our October 2008 convention where over 800 attended, one was to “*ensure access to county affordable housing credit programs that attract development of affordable housing in homestead communities*”.

Honorable Chairs, Vice Chairs and committee members, the administration of the trust lands established by the U.S. Congress in 1921 was accepted by the state of Hawaii as part of statehood in 1959. The Hawaii State Legislature, along with the administration through its agency, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL), represents all of us in Hawaii to reach the full potential of this special trust and commitment to the federal government and to native Hawaiians.

The intent of SB 1268 is to ensure inclusion of Hawaiian home land communities in every county affordable housing credit program where credits are issued to encourage private investment and development of affordable housing inventory. We applaud this legislation because it promotes private sector momentum in moving capital and partnerships to create affordable housing across the state.

Some may say that Hawaiian home land communities should not be included, or that this issue is best left to the local home rule of county governments to decide. Hawaiian home lands, however, is a trust responsibility of state government, squarely the responsibility of the state legislature under Article 12 and the state agency, DHHL, through the statehood act. As we approach the anniversary of five decades since statehood, this simple and inclusive legislation is exactly the type of good housing policy required by state government as the trustee.

We ask that your committee advance this legislation to ensure that the trust lands established by the Congress in 1921, located in every county in the state, and administered by state government, be allowed to be part of the solution to our ailing economy and housing crisis.

Hawaiian home lands are not fee simple lands, nor are they owned by a private sector individual or the responsibility of county governments. They are part of a compact made between our state and our federal governments, that with access and inclusion to affordable housing credit programs, will address tens of thousands of Hawaii citizens on the waitlist, and in doing so, serve the interest and benefit all of the people of Hawaii. Indeed SB 1268 ensures that county policies with regard to affordable housing credits are in sync with state priorities and responsibilities.

The state legislature has an incredible opportunity to advance economic stimulus, create jobs in the construction trades, shepherd in valuable infrastructure development throughout the state, and open the pathway for healthy neighborhoods to take root. Thank you for the opportunity to support SB 1268.

THE GENTRY COMPANIES



February 13, 2009

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair,  
and Members  
Senate Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Hee and Members:

**RE: S.B. 1268 - RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

My name is Debbie Luning and I am testifying on behalf of Gentry Homes, Ltd. in **SUPPORT** of S.B. 1268, which would permit private developers to receive affordable housing credits for the development of affordable homes on DHHL lands.

We believe that private-sector development of affordable homes for DHHL beneficiaries is a key element in helping to solve Hawaii's affordable housing shortfall. We further believe that these DHHL homes should qualify for county affordable housing credits despite the fact that the sale of these homes is limited in scope to Hawaii's indigenous population. By increasing the supply of homes on DHHL lands, we are increasing the overall supply of homes in our State, and making more homes available to the general public. Allowing use of these affordable housing credits to be applied to other projects located in the same county for which the credits were earned would be a great incentive for the private sector to get involved with DHHL's affordable housing program.

We are supportive of the amendments that DHHL is proposing, and urge you to pass this bill out of Committee with amendments.

Sincerely,

GENTRY HOMES, LTD.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Luning'.

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Date: February 10, 2009

To: Senator Sakamoto, Education & Housing Committee, Chair  
Senator Hee, Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs Committee, Chair  
Committee Members

From: Michelle Kauhane, Executive Director

Re: SB 1268 Relating to Affordable Housing – **Support**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 1268 relating to County Affordable Housing Credits.

Hawaiian Community Assets, Inc. (HCA) is a nonprofit organization with a mission to increase the capacity of low and moderate income communities to achieve and sustain economic self-sufficiency. We offer statewide programs that include homebuyer and financial education training, individualized credit counseling, and foreclosure prevention services. We also operate Hawaii's first nonprofit mortgage brokerage, Hawaii Community Lending. HCA is dedicated to increasing and sustaining homeownership opportunities for Hawaii's families.

SB 1268 would encourage the development of affordable housing inclusive of Hawaiian Home Lands and make projects viable. In the depressed economic environment, this policy has the potential to stimulate our local economy. Namely, affordable housing projects would support local lenders and small businesses in the housing sector.

Finally, Hawaii residents have always been challenged with some of the highest housing costs in the Nation. Added to the continuously changing loan criteria and restricted access to mortgage capital, affordable housing prices become even more significant.

I ask your committee to advance this policy and pass SB 1268. Mahalo!

**WAIMEA HAWAIIAN HOMESTEADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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February 12, 2009

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TO: Sen. Norman Sakamoto, Chair  
Sen. Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

Sen. Clayton Hee, Chair  
Sen. Jill N Tokuda, Vice Chair

FROM: M Kapuniai, President

RE: **SB1268**  
**RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Date/Time: Friday, February 13, 2009 1:30 p.m.  
Place: Conference Room 225  
State Capitol, 415 So Beretania St

We write to **SUPPORT** this bill.

The ability for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to receive affordable housing credits will provide additional opportunities for beneficiaries and their families to acquire a home.

This action will decrease the incidences of countless beneficiaries who cannot qualify for a lease with a turnkey home.

These available affordable housing credits for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands are long over due.

We look forward to many affordable housing opportunities to be offered to prospective beneficiary lessees at Lalamilo, Hawaii, as a result of this important and timely legislation.

Another perceived benefit for beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1921, as amended.

Thank you!

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Date: February 11, 2009

To: Senator Clayton Hee, Chair, Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs  
Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair, Committee on Education & Housing  
Committee Members

Fr: Napali Woode, Board Vice President

Re: **SB 1268 Relating to Affordable Housing – Support**

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 1268 on the affordable housing credits. This legislation will make housing credits available to homestead communities and foster economic stability throughout the state.

The Native Hawaiian Economic Alliance (NHEA) is a non-profit founded in 2002 to support the success of local and Native Hawaiian-owned small businesses in Hawaii. NHEA achieves its mission through business policy advocacy under the Native Hawaiian Policy Center, fostering partnerships with business leaders and advocates, and promoting the talent of the Native Hawaiian small business community.

SB 1268 falls in line with NHEA's mission and goals. Passage of SB 1268 will help our local economy and put both county and state policies on affordable housing in sync. This legislation will assist the state in this economic downturn by creating new jobs, energizing small business owners, contractors, realtors, appraisers, engineering firms and other businesses.

These are critical times, and every affordable home we assist in building represents one more brick in the wall of family and economic stability. I support this legislation that will create affordable housing across the state.

Thank you for the opportunity to support SB 1268.

Date: February 11, 2009

To: Senator Clayton Hee, Chair, Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs  
Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair, Committee on Education & Housing  
Committee Members

Fr: Richard "Dickie" Nelson, President, Oiwī Lokahi O Ka Mokupuni O Keawe

Re: **SB 1268 Relating to Affordable Housing – Support**

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 1268 on the affordable housing policy that permits the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) to receive, assign, transfer or exchange county affordable housing credits.

SB 1268 intends to ensure that Hawaiian Homes Commission Act (HHCA) beneficiaries on the waiting list and in statewide DHHL communities have access to the affordable housing credit program where credits are issued to encourage private investment and development of affordable housing inventory. I support this legislation that will create affordable housing across the state.

I ask that you support this legislation to ensure that the trust lands established by the Congress in 1921, located throughout the state including Hawaii County, and administered by DHHL be allowed to be part of the solution to our economic and housing problems. Here on the island of Hawaii, DHHL has in excess of one hundred thousand acres of land yet to be developed. It is the largest parcel of land on any of our Hawaiian islands. Consequently, the potential high demand for the benefits of SB1268 by our beneficiaries are obvious.

Your support of SB 1268 will help our local economy and put both county and state policies on affordable housing in accord.

Thank you for the opportunity to support SB 1268.

TESTIMONY OF CRAIG "BO" KAHUI, DIRECTOR  
KANIOHALE COMMUNITY HOMESTEADERS ASSOCIATION  
ON **HOUSE BILL 99** 1268  
BEFORE THE JOINT HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND  
WATER, LAND AND OCEAN RESOURCES

February 11, 2009

Chair Carroll, Chair Ito, and Members of the Committee:

Mahalo for this opportunity to **testify in support** of this bill that enables the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to extend the terms of its non-homestead land use agreements from 65 years to 99 years. My name is Craig "Bo" Kahui, and I am a lessee residing in Kaniohale, in Kealakehe, Kona, Hawai'i. I am also the Executive Director of La'i 'Opua 2020, a 501C-3 corporation whose mission is to plan, design, and construct community facilities to include a preschool, medical & clinic, community center, inter-generational day care facility, gymnasium, aquatic center, and social services center.

As a leader of a Hawaiian homestead community association, I respectfully urge that you pass this bill. Through its various non-homestead land dispositions, the department generates revenue that supports programs that reach all the beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Home Lands trust, including all the lessee families in the Villages of La'i 'Opua in Kealakehe.

I support this bill for two primary reasons. First, by being able to extend the terms of the lease to 99 years, the department can attract the best lessees, commercial and others, to maximize the revenue generated on these lands. This change in policy means more revenue for the trust to continue to build more homes and means DHHL applicants are a step closer to opportunities for homeownership. These revenues can also be used by DHHL to help fund homestead community centers and facilities which build stronger and healthier Hawaiian communities.

Second, these extended lease terms can attract larger commercial projects that bring jobs to nearby communities, like Kaniohale and other neighborhoods in Kealakehe. Jobs close to home can mean a higher quality of life and less traffic within our community.

I respectfully ask that you approve this bill and thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Craig "Bo" Kahui  
Director  
Kaniohale Community Association.

**Senate Committee on Education and Housing**

**And**

**Senate Committee on Water, Land Agriculture,  
and Hawaiian Affairs**

**S.B. 1268  
Relating To Affordable Housing**

**Testimony of Hui Kako'o 'Aina Ho'opulapula,  
a Beneficiary-Organization for Applicants of the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust**

**Friday, February 13, 2009, at 1:30 pm, Conference Room 225**

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**Aloha Senators Norman Sakamoto, Michele Kidani, Clayton Hee, Jill Tokuda  
and members of the Committees:**

**The Board of Directors of Hui Kako'o 'Aina Ho'opulapula supports this bill.**

**Hui Kako'o is a membership based non-profit organization incorporated in  
1994 whose purpose is to support and advocate for the interest of Applicants  
and eligible Applicants of the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust.**

**This bill permits the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to receive and  
subsequently assign, transfer, or exchange county affordable housing credits.  
Hui Kako'o supports this measure as it will allow greater latitude to the  
Department to provide housing for the beneficiaries of the trust. Please give  
this bill your favorable consideration.**

**Mahalo for this opportunity to submit testimony.**

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Testimony for EDH-WTL 2/13/2009 1:30:00 PM SB1268

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Comments:  
RE: SUPPORT OF SB1268 RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

I supports the passage of SB1268 because its passage will ensure that DHHL will receive county affordable housing credits and then assign, transfer, or exchange these credits it receives. It will allow DHHL to attract development of affordable housing in homestead communities and ultimately place more native Hawaiians on their land.

I ask that you and your committee members support the passage of SB 1268. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony before you in support of SB1268, Relating to Affordable Housing.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie K. Au Hoon,  
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Testimony for EDH-WTL 2/13/2009 1:30:00 PM SB1268

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Comments:

your email talks about housing credits going to the communities, but the bill your are asking for support only talks about the department. It sounds as if the beneficiaries will be used as "garoots" for the benefit of larger interests and that these credits might not reach the intended communities that it should serve. It is also confusing as to which communities are being addressed, "hawaiian home lands communities" and "homestead communities" deal with different programs and areas on the big island

**From:** [Kanani Sang](#)  
**To:** [EDH Testimony](#)  
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**Date:** Friday, February 13, 2009 8:47:39 AM

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I was born and raised on the Waimanalo Hawaiian Homestead. I am now a homestead lessee in Kapolei, Kaupe'a. I am writing in support of Senate Bill 1268.

Mahalo!

Lynette Kanani Sang  
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