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Years ago, affordable housing was 75% affordable. It was changed to 50% to appease developers. The county should be looking for 100% affordable housing. You need developers like Peter Savio who want to build, keep their businesses and employees prosperous without the need of the very sketchy "affordable median price unbalanced scales". One group said to vote against the bill today. Your questions need to address "why is housing needed". Does Maui County need to build housing for people, not usually residents, who make \$120,000 per year? Those buyers qualify to build their own and buy anywhere over \$1 million. The affordable housing bill needs a complete overhaul keeping the law affordable. I do not understand why the county caters to developers who are already very rich with "millions" who get a lot of perks only to give Maui County 10, 20, 30 houses out of their project. Also those who qualify for \$1 mil homes do not want to live near "affordable" (unless it is an investment property (for awhile). I suggest a 5 residency requirement. This is for your ohana, your children, our children born in Hawaii first. If you are going to spend the monies to lure WFH visitors to Maui, (who all will qualify for the \$120,000 income, use some of that money to lure some home builders, not developers.

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