

Honolulu, Hawaii  
April 5, 2006

RE: H.C.R. No. 172

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns,  
to which was referred H.C.R. No. 172 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM AND THE NATURAL  
ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE THEIR  
EFFORTS TO SEEK AUTHORIZATION FROM THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN-  
TRADE ZONES BOARD TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A  
FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE AT THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII  
AUTHORITY'S SCIENCE AND OCEAN TECHNOLOGY PARK AT KAILUA-KONA  
ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to help Hawaii's  
businesses compete in external markets by:

- (1) Requesting the Department of Business, Economic  
Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) and the Natural Energy  
Laboratory of Hawaii Authority (NELHA) to continue their  
efforts in seeking authorization to establish a foreign-  
trade zone (FTZ) at NELHA's technology park in Kailua-  
Kona, Hawaii; and
- (2) Requesting the United States Foreign-Trade Zones Board  
to look favorably upon DBEDT and NELHA's application to  
establish an FTZ.

DBEDT and NELHA testified in support of this measure.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 172 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Economic  
Development & Business  
Concerns,

  
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JON RIKI KARAMATSU, Chair



