

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1406 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2006

RE: H.R. No. 239

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.R. No. 239 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE KYOTO PROTOCOL ON CLIMATE CHANGE AS A SIGNIFICANT MEANS TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND STABILIZE THE GLOBAL ATMOSPHERE, AND AS A NECESSARY FIRST STEP TOWARD MAINTAINING THE HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF HAWAII RESIDENTS, AND URGING THE GOVERNOR TO REQUEST THE PRESIDENT TO PURSUE RATIFICATION OF THIS AGREEMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support a global reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by:

- (1) Requesting that the Legislature support the provisions of the Kyoto Protocol;
- (2) Urging the Governor to adopt the provisions of the Kyoto Protocol and guide state agencies toward efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to seven per cent below 1990 emissions levels by 2012; and
- (3) Urging the Governor to request the President of the United States to pursue the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol by the United States Senate.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the Hawaii Solar Energy Association, Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance,

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Honolulu Seawater Air Conditioning LLC, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Life of the Land, Good Beginnings Alliance, and a concerned citizen. The Sierra Club supported the intent of this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 239 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,

Rep. Cindy Evans
for HERMINA MORITA, Chair



