

Honolulu, Hawaii

Apr: 127 , 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1005
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to improve the ability of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to carry out its duties and responsibilities by:

- (1) Requiring the PUC to restructure its operations pursuant to the PUC's December 2006, report to the Legislature, to improve its effectiveness and efficiency;
- (2) Appropriating funds to meet the costs incurred as a result of the restructuring process; and



- (3) Authorizing the PUC to consider the need for increased renewable energy use in exercising its authority and duties.

Your Committee on Conference finds that this measure will greatly benefit the public interest by enabling the PUC to efficiently and effectively carry out its duties.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

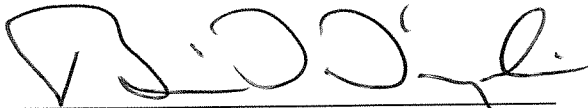
- (1) Deleting the appropriation for the costs of restructuring;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2007; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style and clarity.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

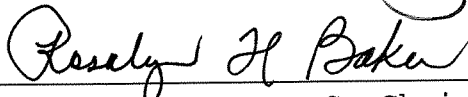
Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



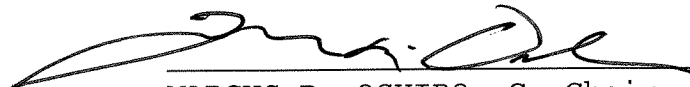
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