

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 29, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2330
H.D. 3

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to promote the use of electric vehicles by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Transportation (DOT) to adopt rules for the registration of, and requiring the counties to establish and issue special license plates for, electric vehicles;
- (2) Providing incentives to use electric vehicles, including exempting electric vehicles from parking fees and high occupancy vehicle lane restrictions, and exempting neighborhood electric vehicles from motor vehicle registration taxes and licensing fees; and
- (3) Requiring DOT to submit a report to the Legislature every five years on the effectiveness of these incentives beginning with the Regular Session of 2013.

DOT and the Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., and its subsidiaries, Maui Electric Company, Ltd., and Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., testified in support of this bill. The High Technology Development Corporation offered comments.



Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2330, H.D. 3.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



