

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 15, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2506
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Legislative Management, to which was referred H.B. No. 2506, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REORGANIZATION OF STATE AGENCIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct a study on key state agencies responsible for the State's long-term energy policies.

Specifically, the Bureau is required to:

- (1) Review the State's long-term energy strategy;
- (2) Research the statutory responsibilities of key state agencies and how they relate to the State's energy objectives;
- (3) Identify any duplication of effort or deficiency with respect to the energy policies charged to these state agencies;
- (4) Research how other states address similar deficiencies in the administration of energy policies; and
- (5) Recommend state agency reorganizational strategies to improve the State's long-term energy policies.

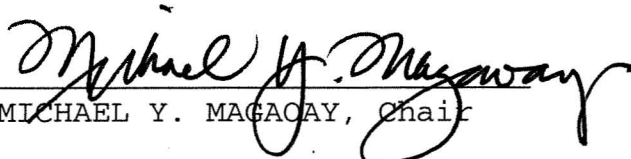


Your Committee received testimony in favor of the measure from the Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Your Committee received comments on the measure from the Department of Agriculture. The Legislative Reference Bureau also submitted comments but took no position on the measure.

Your Committee finds that the advancement of a comprehensive long-term state energy strategy depends on effectively coordinating the duties and responsibilities of key state agencies. This measure will identify and evaluate the duties and responsibilities of these state agencies to realize maximum efficiencies through agency coordination and cost savings.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Legislative Management that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2506, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Legislative
Management,


MICHAEL Y. MAGACAY, Chair



