

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 24, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2550
H.D. 2
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
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. 2550, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

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 encourage customers to invest in renewable energy systems through net-energy metering programs by requiring the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to ensure that a percentage of the total rated generated capacity produced by eligible customer-generators be reserved for electricity produced by eligible residential or small commercial customer-generators.

This bill also authorizes the PUC to:

- (1) Define the maximum capacity for eligible residential or small commercial customer-generators; and



- (2) Evaluate, on an island-by-island basis, the applicability of generating capacity requirements and, in its discretion, exempt an island or a utility grid system from the generating capacity requirements.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to upon approval; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2550, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2550, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



RON MENOR, Chair



HERMINA MORITA, Co-Chair



RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Co-Chair



ROBERT N. HERKES, Co-Chair



**Record of Votes of a
Conference Committee**

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

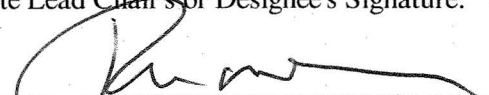

The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

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Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
MENOR, Ron, Chr.	✓				MORITA, Hermina M., Co-Chr.	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S., Co-Chr.	✓				HERKES, Robert N., Co-Chr.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				✓	THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TRIMBLE, Gordon	✓								
Hooser, Gary	✓			<i>EW</i>					
TOTAL	<i>4</i>	0	0	2	TOTAL	3	-	-	-

A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused

Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted	House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 
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