

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 8, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 647
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 Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 647 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to effectuate its title.

H.B. No. 647 was introduced as a short-form bill, which is sometimes referred to as a "vehicle" bill primarily used to introduce a bill containing only a general idea as to the purpose of the bill without specific details in the long form.

Your Committee has amended the bill to provide the substantive contents of the bill in long form so that a public hearing may be properly held on its substantive contents.

As amended, the purpose of the measure is to denote a timeline for the energy resources public-private advisory committee to report to the Legislature with state energy management recommendations.

Specifically, the measure changes the frequency with which the energy resources public-private advisory committee is required to report to the Legislature from annual to biennial, beginning with the 2010 regular session.



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 is in accord with the action to report out H.B. No. 647, as amended herein, and recommends that it be recommitted to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, for the purpose of holding a public hearing thereon, in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 647, H.D. 1.

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

(Hermina Morita)

HERMINA MORITA, Chair



