

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2181

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2549
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Energy and Environment and Transportation and International Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2549 entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to develop an implementation plan to increase electric automobile use in Hawaii.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Maui Energy Group, and the Hawaii Automobile Dealers' Association. Your Committees received comments regarding this measure from the High Technology Development Corporation. Your Committees received suggestions for amendments from the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers.

Your Committees find that broadening the scope of the measure's implementation plan and its objectives would promote consumer acceptance and increased use of all energy-efficient vehicles and alternative fuel sources.

Accordingly, your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Including the use of energy-efficient vehicles, as defined under 103D-412, Hawaii Revised Statutes, within the scope of the implementation plan required under the measure;



- (2) Including alternative fuel powered automobiles within the objectives of the implementation plan; and
- (3) Defining "alternative fuel" to have the same meaning as defined in 10 Code of Federal Regulations Part 490.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy and Environment and Transportation and International Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2549, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2549, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy and
Environment and Transportation
and International Affairs,



J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair




RON MENOR, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2549	Committee Referral: ENE/TIA	Date: 1/31/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
MENOR, Ron (C)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L. (VC)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
TRIMBLE, Gordon	✓			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

