

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2846

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2846 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS  
REDUCTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish two positions to support the implementation of Act 234, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, which established the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Task Force (Task Force).

Specifically, this measure appropriates funds for two additional specialized personnel, a task force program manager and a project assistant/researcher, within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to provide professional and technical support for the Task Force, as well as to assist in the implementation of other provisions of Act 234.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. and its subsidiary companies, Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. and Maui Electric Company, Inc.; Hawaii Solar Energy Association; and the Sierra Club.

The Task Force is required to prepare a comprehensive work plan and regulatory scheme for implementing feasible, cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions to achieve the reductions required by Act 234. Your Committee finds that the additional personnel are essential in ensuring that the Task Force fulfills its responsibilities in a timely, effective manner.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2846 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy and  
Environment,



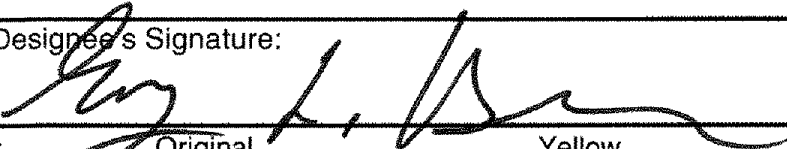
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RON MENOR, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Energy and Environment**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2846</b>	Committee Referral: <b>ENE, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/5/08</b>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <del>Pass, unamended</del> 2312 <input 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	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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