

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 21 2007

RE: S.B. No. 523  
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 523, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Transportation (DOT) to include biofuel storage and transmission infrastructure in all harbor improvement master plans.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Your Committees find that Hawaii's dependence on petroleum for about ninety per cent of its energy needs is more than any other state in the nation. This makes the State extremely vulnerable to any oil embargo, supply disruption, international market dysfunction, and many other factors beyond the control of the State. The use of biofuels would counteract the deleterious effects of a sudden shortage of petroleum fuels.

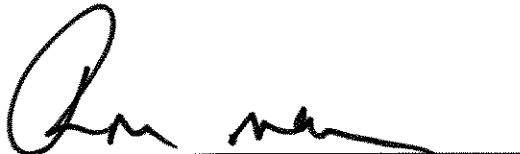
The intent of this measure is for the State to store enough biofuels to be used for the generation of power or heat. Your Committees consider biofuel storage and transmission to be the beginning of the process of weaning the State from dependence upon imported oil.




Your Committees have amended this measure by clarifying the permitted use of biofuel storage and transmission infrastructure on State harbor lands, to confer jurisdiction on the DOT, and to prohibit the manufacture or production of biofuels on State harbor land.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 523, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 523, S.D. 2.

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



RON MENOR, Chair



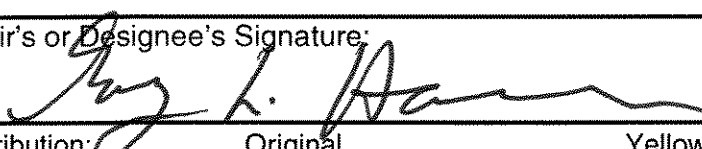
J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair





The Senate  
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**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Energy and Environment**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB523 SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TIA/ENE</b>	Date: <b>2/14/07</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 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	✓			
<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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