

SB 3190



**To: Senator Ron Menor, Chair
Committee on Energy & Environment**

From: Sopogy Inc.

Date: February 5, 2008

Subject: Support for SB 3190 - Relating to the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to assist Sopogy, Inc., in the development of renewable energy on the Island of Oahu.

Chair Menor, Vice-Chair Hooser and Members of the Committees:

Sopogy, Inc. is a solar power technology company based in Hawaii. Our purpose is to bring renewable solar energy technologies to Hawaii and its people for the betterment of our environment, independence from volatile imported fossil fuels, and energy stability.

Energy demand on Oahu is the highest in the State, therefore the need for a renewable energy plant on Oahu will continue to rise. Sopogy supports SB3190 in that it would allow Sopogy to fund the planning and construction of a multi-megawatt power plant on Oahu utilizing our patent pending concentrated solar power technology. Such large scale projects are essential for the state to meet its aggressive goal of 70% renewables by 2030.

In general, Sopogy supports the adoption of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures that lessen the state's dependence on oil, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and provide energy price stability to Hawaii's consumers.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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