

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1671

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1671 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOSSIL FUELS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit new or expanded fossil fuel power plants in order to align the State's energy policy with the State's preferred clean energy future.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one state department and one private organization. Testimony in support of the intent, with comments, was submitted by a state department and a private organization. Comments were submitted by a private organization. Copies of written testimony are available for review on the Legislature's website.

This measure prohibits both the construction of new electricity generating facilities and the modification of existing facilities with a rated capacity of more than two megawatts if the construction or modification utilizes fossil fuel services to generate the electricity. The prohibition would commence on July 1, 2009.

Your Committee finds that it is critical that decisions be made to wean the State off of its dependence on foreign oil. Hawaii's economic, environmental, and energy security demand that the State reduce the amount of fossil fuel imported and consumed in Hawaii.



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. 1671 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

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



MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
ENE

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 1671</i>	Committee Referral: <i>ENE, CPN</i>	Date: <i>12 Feb 2009</i>		
<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"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
TOTAL	6			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>J. Kalan English</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes