STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2079

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2407

S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2407 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a reduction of a residential electric bill for residential electric meters on islands with a population under 10,000 on which renewable electric energy is generated and exported.

Comments on this measure were submitted by one state agency and one private organization.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that this measure would provide a credit to Lanai and Molokai electricity users if these islands export electricity for consumption on another island. As noted in testimony, this would involve the subsidization of the electricity rates on such islands by customers located on other islands, among other issues to be addressed. Your Committee further finds that this means of providing some compensation to residents of an island, which may host a large energy project that exports most of the energy to another island, is an alternative requiring further discussion.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2407, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2407, S.D. 1, 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, Chai

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Energy and Environment ENE

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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