

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 754-10

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2817
S.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and
Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 2817, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOLAR ENERGY DEVICES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to extend the time by which
homeowners associations must adopt rules for the placement of
solar energy devices to December 31, 2010, and to clarify that the
rules may not impose restrictions or conditions that would:

- (1) Render a solar energy device more than 25 percent less
effective;
- (2) Increase the cost of installation, maintenance, or
removal by more than 15 percent; or
- (3) Require an encumbrance on title.

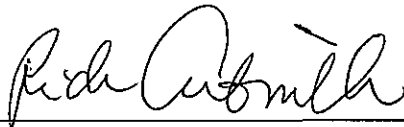
Hawaii Solar Energy Association and Blue Planet Foundation
testified in support of this bill.



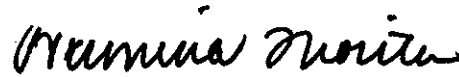
Your Committee finds that solar energy systems are an integral part of reaching Hawaii's clean energy goals and are becoming increasingly common. Solar is one of the most substantial and readily available forms of clean energy that is available in the state. This measure serves to eliminate obstacles for residents and therefore encourage continued widespread adoption of solar energy devices.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Housing that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2817, S.D. 1, and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Housing,



RIDA CABANILLA, Chair



HERMINA MORITA, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Housing

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2817, SDI	Committee Referral: EEP/HSG, JUD	Date: 3-11-2010		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HSG Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CABANILLA, Rida (C)	/			
2. CHONG, Pono (VC)	/			
3. CHANG, Jerry L.	/			
4. COFFMAN, Denny	/			
5. HAR, Sharon E.				/
6. HERKES, Robert N.	/			
7. ITO, Ken				/
8. LEE, Chris				/
9. LUKE, Sylvia	/			
10. MORITA, Hermina M.	/			
11. SAGUM, Roland D., III	/			
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.				/
13. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
TOTAL (13)	9			4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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