



**Western States Petroleum Association**

House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

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Re: HB 2631 Relating to Energy Industry Reporting

I am testifying on behalf of the Western States Petroleum Association (known as WSPA) with comments on HB 2631 relating to energy industry reporting. WSPA is a non-profit trade association representing a broad spectrum of petroleum industry companies in Hawaii and five other western states.

HB 2631 would shift certain of the Public Utilities Commission's responsibilities for energy industry data collection to the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism ("DBEDT"). While we remain neutral as to the collection of such data, we have objected in past legislative sessions to DBEDT's desire for broad and vague authority to collect frequent undefined additional reports and information. We respectfully request that no such amendments be approved for this measure.

Thank you for giving WSPA the opportunity to testify today.