

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

892

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1090  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1090 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHAPTER 243, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to promote openness and transparency by allowing access to fuel data essential to energy planning and policy development. Specifically, this measure clarifies:

- (1) That an entire fuel tax return filed with the Director of the Department of Taxation (DOTAX) is a public record available for public inspection; and
- (2) That Environmental Response, Energy, and Food Security Tax returns are public records available for public inspection.

DOTAX and the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism supported this bill. The Western States Petroleum Association; Garlow Petroleum, Inc.; Aloha Petroleum, Ltd.; and Mid Pac Petroleum, LLC, opposed this measure. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii offered comments.

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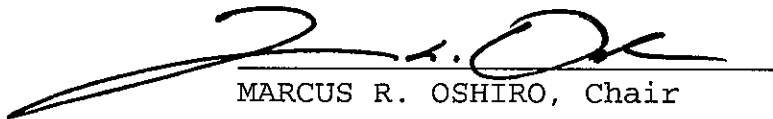


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to promote further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1090, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1090, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Finance,

  
MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



