

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 819

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 8, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1456
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 Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1456 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to increase the effectiveness of petroleum industry unfair trade practices laws that require criminal prosecutions that consume time and limited resources by:

- (1) Making unfair trade practices by the petroleum industry subject to an administrative rather than criminal penalty;
- (2) Eliminating the ceiling of \$10,000 for each violation of the unfair trade practices law; and
- (3) Establishing a fine of not more than \$5,000 for each day a person is in violation of the unfair trade practices law.

Several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by changing its effective date to January 7, 2059, to encourage further discussion.

HB1456 HD1 HSCR JUD HMS 2011-2788



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1456, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1456, H.D. 1.

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


GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



