

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 9 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2530  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred  
H.B. No. 2530 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands with a supplemental source of income to continue existing programs for native Hawaiians. Specifically, this measure, among other things, specifies the percentage of geothermal royalties and the percentage of revenues from the disposition of state lands to other renewable energy producers that will be transferred to the native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund.

The Aha Moku Advisory Committee, the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, the Department of Hawaiian Homelands, Kewalo Hawaiian Homestead Community Association, Waianae Kai Homestead Association, Nanakuli Hawaiian Homestead Community Association, the Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homelands Assembly, and a concerned individual supported the measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs supported the measure with amendments. The Department of Land and Natural Resources supported the intent of the measure with amendments.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring that 15 percent of geothermal royalties collected by the State from mining leases executed after July 1, 2012, and 30 percent of all revenues from the disposition of state lands to non-geothermal renewable energy producers made after July 1, 2012, be deposited into the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund;
- (2) Increasing to 25 percent the county share of royalties received by the State from geothermal mining operations in the county under geothermal mining leases;
- (3) Requiring that 15 percent of the royalties received by the State from geothermal resources produced under a State geothermal resource mining lease made after July 1, 2012, be transferred to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and deposited in the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund;
- (4) Adding a provision that ensures that constitutionally-provided funding for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs would not be diminished by the measure; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2530, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2530, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Energy & Environmental Protection.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

  
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FAYE HANOCHANO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 2530</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HAW, WLD/REP, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/1/12</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
HAW Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HANOHANO, Faye P. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Chris (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. JORDAN, Jo				✓
5. MIZUNO, John M.	✓			
6. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
7. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.				✓
9. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
10. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (10)	8			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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