

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2085

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 09 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2746
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2746 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to codify Act 290, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, relating to electric vehicles, which provides incentives for registration, licensing, parking, and operation of electric vehicles.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the State Department of Transportation; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Honolulu Licensing Administrator; Blue Planet Foundation; Better Place, Inc.; and one individual. Testimony in opposition was submitted by the Sierra Club Hawai'i Chapter.

Your Committees find that although the laws relating to electric vehicle licensing and parking are valid laws of Hawaii, they are difficult to find and reference because they are only contained in the session laws, which are not as readily available to the public as are the Hawaii Revised Statutes, which are available online.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:



- (1) Authorizing, rather than requiring, the Department of Transportation to adopt rules for electric vehicle registration and special license plates, since electric vehicles are currently being registered with special license plates without the adoption of administrative rules; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2746, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2746, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Transportation
and International Affairs and
Energy and Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair

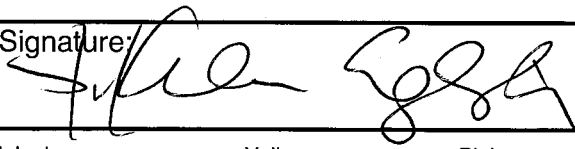


J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



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Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2746	Committee Referral: TIA/ENE, WAM	Date: 6 Feb 2012		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	//			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	//			
GREEN, M.D., Josh				/
IHARA, Jr., Les				/
SLOM, Sam		/		
TOTAL	3^{1/2}	1^{1/2}		2^{1/2}
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes