

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 3003
S.D. 1
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 Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred S.B. No. 3003, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow geothermal resources exploration and geothermal resources development in all state land use districts and all zones of the conservation district; and
- (2) Repeal the geothermal resource subzone provisions in the state land use law.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources; the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; The Pacific Resource Partnership; Ormat Technologies, Inc; and Innovations Development Group supported the measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs and several individuals opposed this measure. The Office of Environmental Quality Control and the Sierra Club Hawaii Chapter commented on this measure.

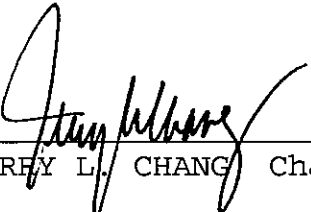


Your Committees have amended this measure by:

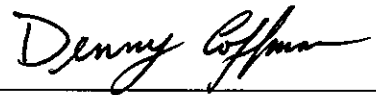
- (1) Clarifying that non-invasive geophysical resources exploration activities include geochemical operations, remote sensing, and other similar techniques in addition to geophysical operations;
- (2) Specifying that geothermal resources exploration and geothermal resources development are permissible uses in all state land use districts and conservation district zones rather than permitted uses; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3003, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3003, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Water, Land, & Ocean Resources,



JEREMY L. CHANG Chair



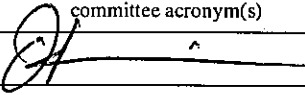
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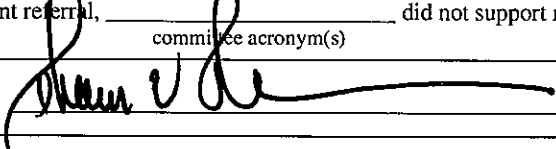
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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 3003 SD1	Committee Referral: EEP/MLO, FIN	Date: 3-15-12		
<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)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. COFFMAN, Denny (C)	/			
2. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (VC)	/			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				/
4. CARROLL, Mele				/
5. CHANG, Jerry L.	/			
6. HAR, Sharon E.	/			
7. HERKES, Robert N.				/
8. ITO, Ken				/
9. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	/			
10. RIVIERE, Gil	/			
11. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
TOTAL (11)	7	0	0	4
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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Bill/Resolution No.: SB 3003, SDI	Committee Referral: EEP/WLO, FIN	Date: 3/15/12		
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WLO Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	X			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	X			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				X
4. CARROLL, Mele				X
5. COFFMAN, Denny	X			
6. HERKES, Robert N.				X
7. ITO, Ken				X
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X			
9. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
10. RIVIERE, Gil	X			
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