

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

804

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 1, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1149

H.D. 3

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1149, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WIND ENERGY FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect the public against health and safety hazards and to preserve the natural beauty of Hawaii by establishing standards and assurances of adequate financial resources for safe and proper decommissioning that shall apply to wind energy facilities at the end of their useful lives, unless an owner of a wind energy facility has an existing lease or other agreement that provides for decommissioning.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Division of Consumer Advocacy and an individual provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 142 provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

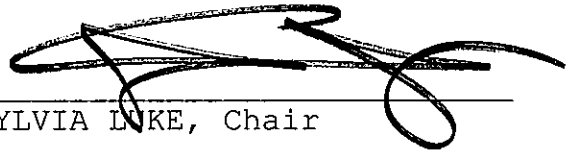
- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, for the purpose of facilitating further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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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. 1149, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1149, H.D. 3.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



