

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 450
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Economic Development & Business and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 450 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HYDROGEN FUELING STATIONS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to direct the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to establish hydrogen fueling station demonstration projects in each county with at least 170,000 residents funded through public and private partnerships over a five-year period.

The Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association and a few individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. Several individuals provided testimony in opposition to this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; the High Technology Development Corporation; HAWAIIIGAS; and an individual provided comments on this measure.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the preference for hydrogen produced by renewable energy electrolysis to a preference for hydrogen produced from renewable sources of energy;
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2050, for the purpose of facilitating further discussion; and

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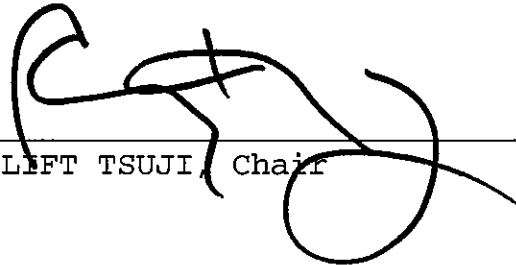
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development & Business and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 450, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 450, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Economic Development & Business and Energy & Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



CLEFT TSUJI, Chair



