

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 240

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 8, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 810
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 810 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to direct the Public Utilities Commission to consider in its deliberations the value of employing advanced grid modernization technology to improve and enhance the State's electrical systems and infrastructure. This measure, among other things, defines "advanced grid modernization technology" to encompass a host of current and developing technologies and methods to ensure Hawaii's grids continue to respond to evolving needs.

The Public Utilities Commission; Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Division of Consumer Advocacy; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Hawaiian Electric Company; Hawaii Electric Light Company; Maui Electric Company; Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter; Hawaii Solar Energy Association; and Blue Planet Foundation provided testimony in support of this measure. Life of the Land opposed this measure. A concerned individual provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 810, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 810, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



