

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 19

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 19 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Exempt landlords and lessors who install renewable energy systems on their property and provide or sell power generated from the renewable energy system to an electric utility or lessee or tenant from the definition of "public utility"; and
- (2) Require that the rate schedule charged to the lessee or tenant for the power generated by the renewable energy system is fixed by the lease agreement.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Taxation; Blue Planet Foundation; Hawaii PV Coalition; Carmel Partners; Forest City Hawaii Residential, Inc.; Castle and Cooke Hawaii; Distributed Energy Partners; and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Public Utilities Commission, and Building Industry Association Hawaii.


Your Committee finds that this measure will exempt landlords who install renewable energy systems from the onerous requirements imposed on public utilities and will serve as an incentive for



landlords to adopt renewable energy systems and assist the State in meeting its clean energy objectives. Your Committee further finds that this measure will protect tenants by requiring landlords to fix renewable electricity rates in lease agreements.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 19 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy and
Environment,




MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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SB 19	ENE, CPN	2/5/13		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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)	X			
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	X			
IHARA, Jr., Les	X			
SLOM, Sam				X
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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