

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 8, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1149

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. 1149 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 the safe and proper decommissioning of wind energy facilities at the end of their useful lives.

The Division of Consumer Advocacy and several concerned individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance provided testimony in opposition of this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; First Wind; ILWU Local 142; and a few concerned individuals 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. 1149, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1149, 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,



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



