

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 13, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2165
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2165 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the counties to create a process for the recordation and enforcement of solar easements; and
- (2) Require protection of solar access from shade caused by vegetation to preserve the economic value of solar radiation falling on structures, investments in solar energy devices, and the options for future uses of solar energy.

Hawaii Solar Energy Association and two concerned individuals testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to November 10, 2113, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 2165, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2165, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives **HSCR 397-14**
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2165	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN	Date: 2/11/14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)	X			
2. THIELEN, Cynthia (VC)	X			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	X			
4. EVANS, Cindy	X			
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.				X
6. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	X			
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	X			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	X			
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.	X			
10. FALE, Richard Lee	X			
TOTAL (10)	9			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Cynthia Thielen</i></u>				
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