

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 18, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2195
S.D. 2
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 S.B. No. 2195, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Taxation and the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to submit a joint, collaborative annual report on the cost and economic benefit to the State of claimed renewable energy tax credits.

Hawaii Solar Energy Association; Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance; and Ulupono Initiative testified in support of this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Taxation; and Tax Foundation of Hawaii commented on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to conduct an annual electronic survey to gather data regarding the economic benefit of renewable energy tax credits; 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 S.B. No. 2195, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2195, S.D. 2, 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 992-14**
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2195, SD 2	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN	Date: 3/11/14		
<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)	✓			
2. THIELEN, Cynthia (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.				✓
6. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.				✓
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	✓			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
10. FALE, Richard Lee	✓			
TOTAL (10)	8			2
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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