

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2503

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 27 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2801

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 2801 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CERTIFICATION OF GAS TANKLESS WATER HEATERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to condition the acceptance of a variance from the mandatory solar water heating requirement for single-family dwellings for a demand water heater device upon approval of the demand water heater by a North American certification organization, including the Canadian Standards Association International; Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute; or Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association Certification Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Hawaii Solar Energy Association.

Your Committee finds that an existing exemption from the mandatory solar water heating requirement for single-family dwellings allows for a gas tankless water heater, which must be approved by Underwriter Laboratories, Inc. However, Underwriter Laboratories, Inc. does not list specific product or model numbers of all tankless products. This measure replaces a reference to Underwriter Laboratories, Inc., with references to North American certification organizations that test, evaluate, and certify gas tankless water heaters and lists specific products and models that



are certified, thereby enabling consumers to make a more informed choice regarding their selections of gas tankless water heaters.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2801 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection,

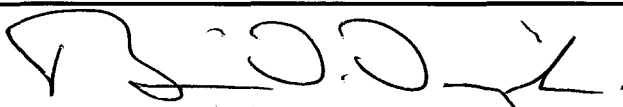


ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2801	ENE/EGH, CPN	2/21/14		
<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
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				✓
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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