

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 21, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2934
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 Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred S.B. No. 2934, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Public Utilities Commission to establish community-based renewable energy tariffs so that electric utility customers may own portions of a renewable energy facility that sells energy to the utility, regardless of the physical siting or interconnection of the renewable energy facility.

Inter-Island Solar Supply; Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.; Maui Electric Company; Hawaii Electric Light Company; and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Public Utilities Commission; Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Blue Planet Foundation; and several concerned individuals commented on this measure.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Adopting the proposed amendments recommended by the Public Utilities Commission, which requires the Commission to:

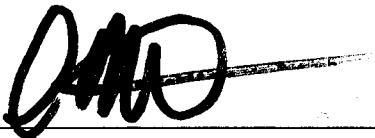
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- (A) Establish a community-based renewable energy tariff that is in the public interest and non-discriminatory;
 - (B) Allow anyone to propose a community-based renewable energy project subject to Commission approval;
 - (C) Allow an electric utility to propose a community-based renewable energy project; and
 - (D) Standardize the tariff and related interconnection processes to the extent possible; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection & Commerce that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2934, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2934, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Consumer Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



CHRIS LEE, Chair



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HSCR 1180-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2934, SDA	Committee Referral: EEP/LPC, FIN	Date: 3/20/14		
<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.			Exc	X
10. FALE, Richard Lee				X
TOTAL (10)	6		2	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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