

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2953  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 3  
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
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Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2953, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE RESOURCES ON HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS, "

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to allocate to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands an unspecified amount of the royalties received by the State from geothermal resources located on lands under the jurisdiction of the Department.

Your Committee on Conference finds that although geothermal development in Hawaii has contributed to greater energy diversification of the State, the cultural, health, and environmental concerns related to the development of geothermal energy must be carefully and properly addressed and managed. This measure provides a fair allocation of geothermal mining royalties

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while providing a needed source of revenue to support the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands' programs, including homestead lot development, loans, and rehabilitation programs, and administration expenses to support these programs.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that one hundred percent of the royalties received by the State from geothermal resources located on lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands shall be paid to the Department; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2014.

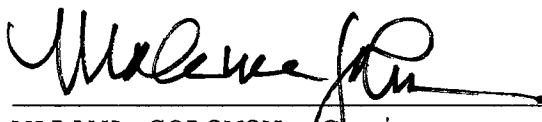
As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2953, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2953, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, C.D. 1.


Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

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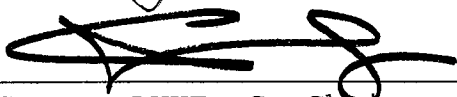
ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

  
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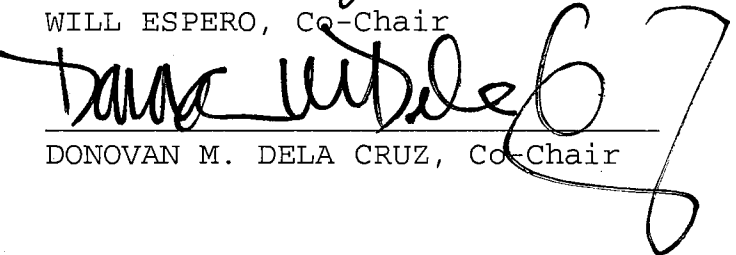
  
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