

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2781

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2953
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2953 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is, for geothermal resources located on land under the jurisdiction of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, to require twenty per cent of the royalties received by the State to be paid to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and twenty per cent to be paid to the county in which the geothermal resources are located.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Written comments in opposition were received from the Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies.

Your Committee finds that current law requires thirty per cent of all royalties received by the State from geothermal resources to be paid to the county in which the mining operations are situated. Your Committee believes that providing the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands with a percentage of the royalties from geothermal resources on land under the Department's jurisdiction will support the Department's programs, including homestead lot development, loan programs, and rehabilitation programs, as well as the administration expenses related to these programs.

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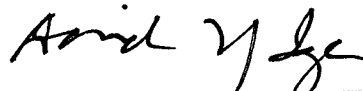


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date from upon approval to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2953, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2953, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2953	WTL/HWN/PSM/WAM	2-27-14		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓ ML			✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
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Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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