

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2085
H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2085, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce and ultimately eliminate Hawaii's dependence on fossil fuels for electrical generation and ground transportation by 2045 by creating goals and targets in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative Program and State Planning Act, including establishing an incremental timeline for the reduction of fossil fuels in electrical generation and ground transportation in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative Program.

The County of Kauai Office of Economic Development, Blue Planet Foundation, Americans for Democratic Action Hawaii Chapter, IMUAlliance, and a few individuals provided testimony in support of the measure. An individual provided testimony in opposition. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Chamber of Commerce Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2085, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2085, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



