

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 8, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2231

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2231 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand the financing mechanisms available to Hawaii's energy sector by clarifying that special purpose revenue bonds can be used to finance publicly owned energy cooperatives.

The Blue Planet Foundation, Hawaii Solar Energy Foundation, Sierra Club of Oahu, The Alliance for Solar Choice, and two concerned individuals supported this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2231 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy &
Environmental Protection,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCR 70-16

Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2231	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN	Date: 2/2/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)	✓			
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. ING, Kaniela	✓			
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.	✓			
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
9. POUHA, Feki	✓			
10. THIELEN, Cynthia	✓			
TOTAL (10)	10			
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: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Nicole E. Lowen</i></u>				
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