

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 19, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2301
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 2301, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII GREEN
INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to strengthen the membership of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority by:

- (1) Replacing the energy program administrator of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism with the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs as a member; and
- (2) Adding two additional gubernatorially-appointed members and specifying that of the four members appointed by the Governor, two of these members must have a demonstrated expertise in public finance or economics and two of these members must have a demonstrated expertise in clean energy.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism supported this measure.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Including a preamble to show the original intent of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority, which is to provide public utilities financing to persons with lower income; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2301, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2301, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



