

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 19, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2558

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. 2558 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) The Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish and administer the Carbon Offset Program; and
- (2) State officials and agencies to participate in the Carbon Offset Program to offset carbon emissions caused by their employees' air travel.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources 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. 2558 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



