

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 19, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2571
H.D. 1

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. 2571 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITY TRANSFORMATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to begin transitioning toward a newer, more sustainable energy business model by eventually prohibiting investor-owned electric utilities, or any of their affiliated interests, from building or acquiring any new or additional generation resources in Hawaii.

The Alliance for Solar Choice, Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance, Life of the Land, and two concerned individuals supported this measure. The Hawaiian Electric Company, Maui Electric Company, and Hawaii Electric Light Company opposed the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2045, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 2571, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2571, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



