

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 18, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2650
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 Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 2650 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a working group within the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism to address the installation of electrical-submeters in condominiums.

The Public Utilities Commission and an individual testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, and an individual provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing the Chairperson of the Public Utilities Commission from the working group and adding the Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu;
- (2) Adding the Local 1186 IBEW to the list of members that shall be invited to serve as members of the working group;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and

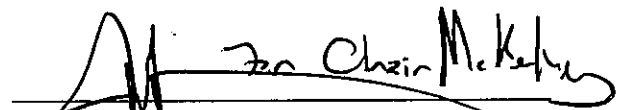


- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee respectfully requests that your Committee on Finance further examine the issue of appropriating funds for the establishment and operation of the working group.

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. 2650, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2650, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



