

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 29, 2016

RE: H.C.R. No. 87
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.C.R. No. 87 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY AND THE POTENTIAL MERITS AND BENEFITS OF THE ENERGY COOPERATIVE MODEL FOR THE ISLAND OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Public Utilities Commission to assess the feasibility and the potential merits and benefits of the energy cooperative model for the island of Hawaii.

Several concerned individuals supported this measure. The Public Utilities Commission opposed the measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requesting the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, rather than the Public Utilities Commission, to assess the feasibility and the potential merits and benefits of the energy cooperative model for the island of Hawaii;
- (2) Changing its title to read: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY AND



THE POTENTIAL MERITS AND BENEFITS OF THE ENERGY
COOPERATIVE MODEL FOR THE ISLAND OF HAWAII"; and

- (3) 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 87, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 87, H.D. 1.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



