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Statement of
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before the
HOUSE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH
and
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Tuesday, March 22, 2016
10:01 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

in consideration of
SB 75, SD 2
RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

Chairs Au Belati and Lee, Vice Chairs Creagan and Lowen, and Members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) supports SB 75, SD 2, which requires the Department of Health to establish the Hawaii battery storage recycling task force to make recommendations for a workable recycling program for battery storage devices in Hawaii and the task force to submit interim and final reports to the legislature. The bill names the Hawaii State Energy Office, a Division of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, as a member of the task force.

DBEDT is supportive of this measure as it is consistent with our energy policy directive of balancing technical, economic, environmental, and cultural considerations¹. As the adoption of battery storage increases in order to support the State's achievement of the 100 percent Renewable Portfolio Standard by 2045, it will be important for our State to be prepared with battery storage recycling programs to properly protect our environment.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments on SB 75, SD 2.

¹ Reference: <http://energy.hawaii.gov/energypolicy>

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Leslie Cole-Brooks	DER Council of Hawaii	Support	Yes

Comments:

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**Testimony before the
House Committees on Health and Energy & Environmental Protection**

S.B. 75 SD2 – Relating to the Environment

**Tuesday, March 22, 2016
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**By Darren Ishimura
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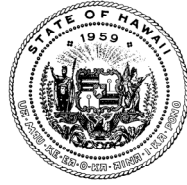
Chairs Au Bellati and Lee, Vice-Chairs Creagan and Lowen, and Members of the Committees:

My name is Darren Ishimura, Manager of Grid Technologies at Hawaiian Electric. I am testifying on behalf of Hawaiian Electric, Maui Electric, and Hawai'i Electric Light (collectively the "Hawaiian Electric Companies").

The Hawaiian Electric Companies support the intent of S.B. 75 SD2 for the State of Hawai'i Department of Health to establish a "Hawaii Battery Storage Recycling Task Force" to make recommendations to the Legislature for a battery recycling program. However, we would like to offer the following comment for your consideration.

We recommend that a representative of Hawaiian Electric serve as a member of the task force to provide input and guidance on recycling of batteries used for utility-side and customer-side applications. We recommend that either a Hawaiian Electric representative be added to the task force or a Hawaiian Electric representative serve as the at-large member.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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Testimony in SUPPORT of S.B. 75, S.D. 2
RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT

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Hearing Date: March 22, 2016
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1 **Fiscal Implications:** None

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department supports S.B. 75, S.D. 2 which requires the
3 establishment of the Hawaii battery storage recycling task force. The Director of Health, or the
4 director's designee, will serve as the chairperson of the task force and will include members from
5 the industry and the public. The task force will be required to submit an interim report to the
6 legislature after the first year. A final report with recommendations will be submitted to the
7 legislature the following year. The task force shall terminate on July 1, 2018.

8 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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