
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that energy efficiency is
2 a cornerstone of the State's transition to clean energy. It is
3 also a strong mechanism for protecting consumers from high
4 energy costs. The legislature has repeatedly found that
5 promoting greater energy efficiency is in the public's interest.

6 The purpose of this Act is to establish an energy
7 efficiency task force to make recommendations on energy
8 proposals to ensure cost savings to all rate payers.

9 SECTION 2. (a) The director of business, economic
10 development, and tourism shall establish the energy efficiency
11 task force to make recommendations on energy proposals and
12 standards. The director shall initiate the organization of and
13 provide staff support for the task force.

14 (b) The director shall invite representatives of the
15 following agencies to participate in the task force:

- 16 (1) State energy office;
17 (2) State building code council;



1 (3) A county building official from each of the four
2 counties appointed by the mayor;

3 (4) Structural Engineers Association of Hawaii;

4 (5) American Institute of Architects, Hawaii State
5 Council; and

6 (6) Any additional members from various sectors, to be
7 selected at the discretion of the director.

8 The members of the task force shall serve without
9 compensation.

10 (c) The task force shall submit an interim report of its
11 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
12 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
13 to the convening of the regular session of 2018. The interim
14 report shall include, but shall not be limited to:

15 (1) New energy efficiency proposals and standards that
16 existing and new commercial buildings or structures
17 can follow to become more energy efficient.

18 (2) Proposals to define allowable air curtain or other
19 retrofit technologies sufficient to protect against
20 the co-mingling of indoor and outdoor air in
21 commercial buildings and structures;



- 1 (3) Proposals to implement design and construction
2 parameters for new commercial construction to avoid
3 open-door air conditioning in the future;
- 4 (4) Proposals for emergency efficiency standards to be
5 include in the state building code with respect to
6 commercial construction; and
- 7 (5) Proposals to ensure energy cost savings to all rate
8 payers.
- 9 (d) The task force shall submit a final report of its
10 finding and recommendations, including any proposed legislation,
11 to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
12 convening of the regular session of 2019.
- 13 (e) The task force shall terminate on July 1, 2019.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Energy Efficiency; Task Force

Description:

Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism to establish a task force to create energy proposals and standards. (HB1294 HD1)

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.

