

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 2, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 749

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 749 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOLID WASTE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Health and the counties to consider waste-to-energy energy production as a potential solid waste management practice and processing method in implementing the Hawaii Integrated Solid Waste Management Act.

The Department of Environmental Services of the City and County of Honolulu and the American Chemistry Council supported this measure. The Department of Health opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Categorizing waste-to-energy energy production as a distinct priority; and
- (2) Placing waste-to-energy after recycling and bioconversion, including composting, in the list of priorities to be considered for solid waste management practices and processing methods.



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. 749, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 749, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Health.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



