

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

865

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 848
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 848, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY MODERNIZATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage the development and use of microgrids at University of Hawaii (UH) campuses and facilities by:

- (1) Authorizing the UH to establish, implement, and operate one or more microgrid projects on any property owned, leased, or controlled by UH; and
- (2) Exempting microgrids from regulation as a public utility.

The UH and an individual supported this measure. Hawaiian Electric Company and its subsidiary utilities Maui Electric Company and Hawaii Electric Light Company and an individual opposed this measure. The Public Utilities Commission and Hawaii Energy Policy Forum provided comments.

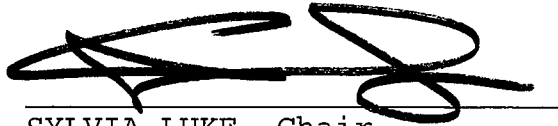
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 848, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



