

Honolulu, Hawaii

January 30, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1805

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 1805 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY TRAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist county employees who are responsible for permitting, inspecting, licensing, and approving energy systems and related technologies by:

- (1) Requiring the University of Hawaii (UH) community colleges to establish and administer energy systems and technology training courses for relevant county officers and employees on the various standards and requirements for renewable energy systems and related distributed electricity technologies;
- (2) Requiring the UH community colleges, or its designee, to establish a stakeholder committee to provide input, guidance, and outreach assistance to the UH community colleges;
- (3) Requiring the UH community colleges to submit a progress report to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2020; and



- (4) Appropriating \$125,000 for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the energy systems and technology training program and authorizing the use of funds to reimburse participants for fees paid.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, UH, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and three concerned individuals supported this measure.

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. 1805 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Higher Education.

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



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



