

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1830
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1830, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support and provide legislative oversight of the University of Hawaii's energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainability, and energy conservation projects by:

- (1) Expressly authorizing legislative appropriations to be deposited into the University of Hawaii Green Special Fund (Special Fund);
- (2) Removing the expenditure threshold amount of Special Fund moneys that triggers the requirement for legislative approval;
- (3) Authorizing Special Fund moneys to be used for planning, design, and implementation of energy efficiency, energy conservation, and renewable energy projects; and

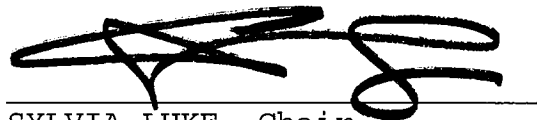


- (4) Requiring that notification be provided to the Legislature for the expenditure of funds from the Special Fund.

Blue Planet Foundation, Ulupono Initiative, Hawai'i Energy, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Young Progressives Demanding Action - Hawaii, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of the Attorney General and University of Hawaii provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1830, 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



