

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2724  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2724, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE ENERGY AGENCIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a primary state energy agency that will assist both the public and private sectors in achieving the State's energy goals by:

- (1) Establishing the Office of Clean Energy within the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) for administrative purposes only;
- (2) Transferring the duties and responsibilities of DBEDT's Energy Resources Coordinator to the Director of the Office of Clean Energy; and
- (3) Transferring the functions of the State Energy Office to the Office of Clean Energy.

Blue Planet Foundation, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, 'Ohana O Kaua'i, Elemental Excelerator, and a few concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Business,



Economic Development and Tourism and Life of the Land offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2724, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Labor & Public  
Employment,



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AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-ninth Legislature

**HSCR 617-18**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB <del>2724</del> 2724 HD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EEP/EDB, LAB, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 02-13-18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (C)	✓			
2. HOLT, Daniel (VC)	✓			
3. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
5. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	✓			
6. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
7. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
<b>TOTAL (7)</b>	7	0	0	0
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u>De He</u>				
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