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ann chung	Navatek	Support	No

Comments: We strongly support SB682 extending the existing alternative energy grant administered by HTDC. This is a great program supporting local companies doing renewable energy research and leverages federal funding helping these companies pursue even more federal grants. The program supports the economy by keeping high-paying, high-skilled jobs and keeping revenues in Hawaii, while furthering the State's commitment to renewable energy and supporting businesses.

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Written Statement of  
**Robbie Melton**  
Executive Director & CEO  
High Technology Development Corporation  
before the  
**Senate Committee on Ways and Means**  
Friday, February 24, 2017  
9:30 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 211

In consideration of  
**SB682**  
**RELATING TO ENERGY.**

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Ways and Means.

The High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) **supports** SB682 that extends the sunset date of the Alternate Energy Research and Development Pilot Project to June 30, 2019 and appropriates funds for the Project.

As part of HTDC's vision to create 80,000 new innovation jobs in Hawaii earning \$80,000 or more by 2030, HTDC supports initiatives aimed at promoting technology and innovation jobs.

In FY16, the first year of the program, HTDC awarded \$1 million to 3 companies who secured \$11.3 million of federal funding from the Office of Naval Research for alternative energy projects. In FY17 HTDC anticipates awarding all of the \$1 million fiscal year 2016-2017 appropriated funds. HTDC believes the program supports the growth of companies with innovative renewable energy technologies in the State and moves Hawaii closer to its clean energy goal of 100 percent renewable energy by 2045.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



Written Statement of  
**DR. PATRICK K. SULLIVAN**  
**PRESIDENT/CEO OCEANIT**

Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

February 24, 2017

9:30 a.m.

State Capitol, Conference Room 211

In Support of

**HB682 RELATING TO ENERGY**

To: Chair Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair Donovan M. Dela Cruz and Members of the Committees

From: Dr. Patrick K. Sullivan, President/CEO

Re: Testimony in Support of SB682

Honorable Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **in support of SB682.**

Hawaii's Alternative Energy and Research Development Program is an integral part in making the entire state energy sustainable. Hawaii is fortunate with its diverse resources such as solar, wind, hydro, bioenergy and geothermal which is ideal for the development of clean energy. The continuation of this program is important for Hawaii's economy as it will allow local companies to continue to do their research and development in renewable energy. In addition, it will keep high-paying, high-skilled jobs in Hawaii, furthering the State's commitment to renewable energy and supporting business.

We urge you to support SB682.



# Chamber of Commerce HAWAII

*The Voice of Business*

**Testimony to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
Friday, February 24, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.  
Conference Room 211, State Capitol**

**RE: SENATE BILL 682 RELATING TO ENERGY**

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports** SB 682, which extends the sunset date of the Alternate Energy Research and Development Pilot Project to June 30, 2019.

The Chamber is Hawaii's leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 1,600+ businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

This bill would provide crucial support to local companies engaged in alternate energy research and helps these companies secure additional federal grants. The program supports the local economy by keeping high-paying, high-skill jobs as well revenue in Hawaii. It also strengthens the state's commitment to alternate energy opportunities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Gary Shimosono	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Susan Matsuura	Individual	Support	No

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Kacey Lock	Individual	Support	No

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Mitchel Kagawa	Individual	Support	No

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Eric Schiff	Individual	Support	No

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