

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2019

RE: S.B. No. 661

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Government Operations and Transportation,  
to which was referred S.B. No. 661 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUEL CELL ELECTRIC VEHICLES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Grant procurement priority for fuel cell electric vehicles for state and county vehicle purchases; and
- (2) Include fuel cell electric vehicles in the definition of "electric vehicles" for purposes of parking fee exemption, high occupancy vehicle lane use, registration, and required parking spaces in places of public accommodation.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation; Ulupono Initiative; Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers; Servco Pacific, Inc.; O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Hawaii Automobile Dealers' Association; Blue Planet Foundation; and one individual.

Your Committees find that fuel cell electric vehicles are a viable alternative to gasoline-powered vehicles. Increasing the use of more fuel cell electric vehicles will reduce carbon




emissions and improve the quality of life in Hawaii. However, under existing law, certain priority considerations and incentives are currently available to battery electric vehicles but not fuel cell electric vehicles. This measure expands the definition of "electric vehicle" to include fuel cell electric vehicles, which will afford more incentives for fuel cell electric vehicles, drastically improve transportation efficiency, and reduce carbon emissions in Hawaii.

Your Committees have amended this measure by amending the definition of "fuel cell electric vehicle" to ensure all fuel cell technology is appropriately included.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Government Operations and Transportation that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 661, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 661, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Government  
Operations and Transportation,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair

  
LAURA H. THIELEN, Chair



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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
THIELEN, Laura H. (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>D. Kanu</i>				
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
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