

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1638

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 89
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 Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 89 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO TRANSITION THE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL BUILDING INTO A NET-ZERO ENERGY BUILDING THAT PRODUCES ITS OWN RENEWABLE ENERGY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Department of Accounting and General Services to transition the Hawaii State Capitol Building into a net-zero energy building that produces its own renewable energy.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Department of Accounting and General Services.

Your Committees find that the Hawaii State Capitol building has participated in a green building challenge and other energy-saving initiatives in the past; however, additional steps must be taken to fully capture available renewable energy sources to offset energy expended in operating and maintaining the building. Exploring ways to increase energy efficiency in state buildings is an important step in the State's goal of achieving 100 percent renewable energy.



Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Encouraging the Department of Accounting and General Services to work with the Capitol Management Group and historic preservation offices to identify on-site energy production and energy conservation opportunities and transition the State Capitol building into an energy-efficient, rather than net zero energy, building;
- (2) Updating the findings to remove a reference to a net-zero energy building; and
- (3) Updating its title to reflect its amended purpose.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Government Operations and Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 89, as amended herein, and recommend that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 89, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Government
Operations and Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism,



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



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