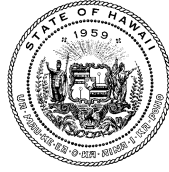


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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEES ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS/
ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

MARCH 25, 2019, 2:45 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 414, STATE CAPITOL

S.C.R. 89/S.R. 66
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO
TRANSITION THE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL BUILDING INTO A NET-ZERO BUILDING
THAT PRODUCES ITS OWN RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Chairs Thielen and Wakai, Vice Chairs Inouye and Taniguchi, and Members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.C.R. 89 which urges the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to transition the Hawaii State Capitol Building (Capitol) into a net-zero building that produces its own renewable energy.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent to improve energy efficiency within State buildings and offers the following comments:

1. This resolution urges DAGS to have the Capitol produce energy used on-site or off-site.
2. The production of all energy used on-site may be at odds with the historic design of this registered historic facility. For example, to install wind or solar energy devices, a significant amount of lawn space would be required.
3. The production of energy from surrounding State facilities could have enough PV to power the Capitol but this would not allow surrounding facilities to be net-zero facilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.