

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2454
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 2454, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRITICAL ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to protect the public and electric utility employees, ensure reliable electrical service in the State, and decrease damage to critical electrical infrastructure due to trespassing by establishing the offense of criminal trespass on critical electrical infrastructure.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Honolulu Police Department and Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General.

Your Committee finds that the security and resilience of Hawaii's critical electrical infrastructure are fundamental to the health, safety, and welfare of the State's residents, visitors, and employees and to the national defense of the country. Your Committee further finds that this measure provides a proportionate level of protection for this key resource by making criminal trespass on critical electrical infrastructure a felony offense.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2454, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



