CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO. **119**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 2 3 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 561
        H.D. 2
        S.D. 2
        C.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
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Sirs:

     Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the
House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in
H.B. No. 561, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

     "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to
recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final
passage of this bill in an amended form.

     The purpose of this measure is to:

     (1) Require the Public Utilities Commission to make
          determinations of the reasonableness of the costs
          pertaining to fossil fuel or biomass sourced electricity
          or gas utility system capital improvements and operations
          and to consider the effect of the State's reliance on
          fossil fuels and biomass based on certain factors;

(2) Require the Public Utilities Commission to determine on an individual basis whether an analysis is necessary for proceedings involving water, wastewater, or telecommunications providers; and

(3) Exempt the Public Utilities Commission from the requirement to conduct an analysis for a utility's routine system replacements or determinations that do not pertain to capital improvements or operations.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

(1) Deleting the preamble;

(2) Clarifying that the Public Utilities Commission shall make determinations of the reasonableness of the costs pertaining to electric or gas, and deleting "fossil fuel or biomass sourced", utility system capital improvements and operations in its consideration to reduce the State's reliance on fossil fuels;

(3) Deleting all references to "and biomass";

(4) Replacing "overground" with "underground" line determinations; and

(5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.
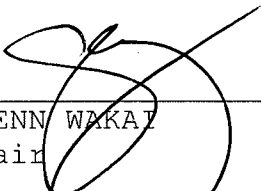
As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 561, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 561, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.
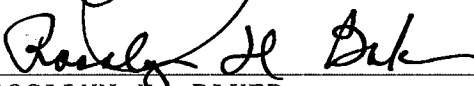
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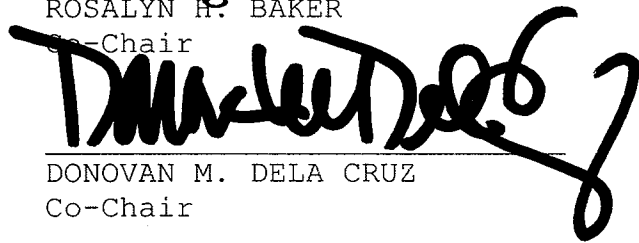
ON THE PART OF THE SENATE   ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

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Co-Chair

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☑ The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).

❑ The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.

❑ The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure | ❑ The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.

Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
WAKAI, Glenn, Chr.	✓				LOWEN, Nicole E., Co-Chr.	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H., Co-Chr.	✓				KITAGAWA, Lisa, Co-Chr.	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M., Co-Chr.	✓				MARTEN, Lisa, Co-Chr.	✓			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	✓				MATSUMOTO, Lauren	✓			
TOTAL	4	—	—	—	**TOTAL**	4	—	—	—

A = Aye   **WR** = Aye with Reservations   **N** = Nay   **E** = Excused

Senate Recommendation is:	House Recommendation is:
☑ Adopted ❑ Not Adopted	☑ Adopted ❑ Not Adopted
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:	House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:
	Nicole E. Lowen