STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2977 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1810

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 1810 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to define what constitutes a quorum for the Environmental Advisory Council, including specifying the number of votes required to make any action of the Council valid.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development and one individual.

Your Committee finds that although the Environmental Advisory Council is entitled to have up to fifteen members, there are currently only eleven members appointed and confirmed to the Council due to resignations, changes in positions, and term expirations. Because the minimum number of board members required for quorum is eight members, there have been instances where meetings have had to be cancelled due to the inability to meet the quorum requirement. This measure would lower the minimum number of members required to constitute a quorum and allow the Council to conduct business on a more regular basis.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1810 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection,

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NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1810	Committee Referral: EEP, FI	N Date:	2/10/2	22
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C)				
2. MARTEN, Lisa (VC)	/ -			200 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				
4. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.				
5. PERRUSO, Amy A.				
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6. TODD, Chris				
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
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8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren				
TOTAL (8)	B			
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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