

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1750-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 07 , 2022

RE: H.R. No. 41

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.R. No. 41 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO ENGAGE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT PRESENCE WITHIN THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii State Energy Office to engage with the United States Department of Energy to establish a permanent presence within the State of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Hawaii State Energy Office; Public Utilities Commission; Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; Hawai'i Natural Energy Institute; Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority; Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.; and Hawai'i Gas.

Your Committee finds that the United States Department of Energy has served as a critical partner to the State in achieving its clean energy goals and economic transformation. This measure looks to strengthen this partnership by requesting that the Hawaii State Energy Office engage with the United States Department of Energy to establish a permanent presence within the State, which

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will accelerate the leadership and transformation of Hawaii toward a resilient clean energy economy.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 41 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,

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AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



