

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1321 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 3195
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 3195, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for the investigation, exploration, and identification of geothermal resources on Hawaiian home lands.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hawaii State Energy Office, Sustainable Energy Hawai'i, and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that one of the five objectives of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands' Energy Policy is to facilitate the use of diverse renewable energy resources. Specific activities noted in the policy include identifying properties in the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands' land inventory that have potential for renewable energy projects and pursuing the leasing of those lands. Your Committee finds that investigation,

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exploration, and identification of geothermal resources on Hawaiian home lands are necessary to realize the harnessing of geothermal energy as a clean, renewable energy source in the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3195, S.D. 2, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,


MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



