

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 , 2024

RE: H.C.R. No. 35  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 35 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ECONOMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON SCOPE ONE, TWO, AND THREE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization to conduct a study on scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action; and three individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions categorize different kinds of emissions a company creates in its own operations and wider value chain. Your Committee further finds that assessing and reporting scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions, is crucial for identifying opportunities to reduce emissions across public and private sectors. Your Committee has considered the testimony submitted on this measure and concluded that the Department of Health, instead



of the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization, would be a more appropriate entity to consider including an analysis of scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions as part of its work to track greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to section 342B-71, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Urging the Department of Health, instead of the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization, to consider including an analysis of scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas emissions into its work to track greenhouse gas emissions;
- (2) Requesting the Department of Health to include its analysis in their next greenhouse gas emissions inventory report if the analysis is included in its work to track greenhouse gas emissions;
- (3) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 35, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 35, H.D. 1.

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



NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



