STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 27 , 2025

RE: H.R. No. 102

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.R. No. 102 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONDUCT A STUDY EVALUATING THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A GREEN BONDS PROGRAM IN THE STATE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii State Energy Office to conduct a study evaluating the feasibility of establishing a green bonds program in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Coalition Earth and two individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i State Energy Office.

Your Committee finds that addressing climate change and advancing renewable energy initiatives require innovative financing mechanisms to support sustainable infrastructure and conservation efforts. Green bonds offer a viable funding solution, as they are specifically designed to finance projects that promote clean energy, climate resilience, and environmental sustainability. This measure helps the State evaluate the feasibility of establishing a green bonds program in Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to

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this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 102 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 102	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN	Date:	3/18/2	5
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. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	$\checkmark$			
3. KAHALOA, Kirstin	V			
4. KUSCH, Matthias				
5. QUINLAN, Sean				V
6. WARD, Gene				
TOTAL (6)	4			2
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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