

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 25 2025

RE: S.B. No. 1500
S.D. 2
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

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

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1500, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC UTILITIES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the Public Utilities Commission to appoint a receiver to take temporary action necessary to assure continued adequate electric services from failing regulated investor-owned electric utilities; and
- (2) Require an appointed receiver to recognize and maintain the terms and conditions of any existing collective bargaining agreement and prohibit the receiver from inducing or causing a reduction in force or terminating a



covered employee other than for a cause consistent with any collective bargaining agreement.

Your Committee on Conference finds that, when a regulated water or sewer utility is failing, or if there is an imminent threat of the utility failing, to provide adequate and reliable service to its customers, the Public Utilities Commission has the authority to appoint a receiver to take temporary action on behalf of the regulated water or sewer utility under existing law. Your Committee on Conference further finds that the same authority does not exist with respect to regulated investor-owned electric utilities. This measure extends the authority of the Public Utilities Commission to appoint a receiver for regulated investor-owned electric utilities.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by making it effective upon its approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1500, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1500, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.



Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



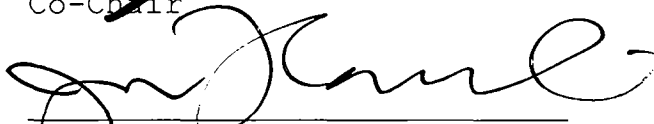
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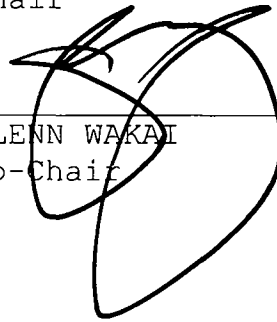


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Co-Chair

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

CCR 202

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 1500, SD 2, HD 1					Date/Time: 4/25/25 6:29 PM				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett, Chr.	✓				LOWEN, Nicole E., Co-Chr.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn, Co-Chr.	✓				SAYAMA, Jackson D., Co-Chr.	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	✓				MATAYOSHI, Scot Z., Co-Chr.				✓
AWA, Brenton				✓	TAKENOUCHI, Jenna, Co-Chr.	✓			
					REYES ODA, Julie				✓
TOTAL	3			1	TOTAL	3			2
A = Aye WR = Aye with Reservations N = Nay E = Excused									
Senate Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted					House Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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