

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1749-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 153

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. 153 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING AND SAMPLING TECHNOLOGIES IN WASTE COMBUSTION FACILITIES AND MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Health to conduct a feasibility study on the implementation of continuous monitoring and sampling technologies in waste combustion facilities and municipal solid waste landfills.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Covanta. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that waste combustion facilities are among the largest sources of industrial air pollution. Your Committee further finds that waste combustion facilities and municipal solid waste landfills in the State do not continuously monitor and sample certain air pollutants. This measure requests the Department of Health to conduct a feasibility study on the implementation of continuous monitoring and sampling technologies

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in waste combustion facilities and municipal solid waste landfills.

Your Committee notes that funding for the feasibility study proposed by this measure may not be necessary, as the Department of Health should already be considering the feasibility of implementing continuous monitoring and sampling technologies in waste combustion facilities and municipal solid waste landfills as part of its duties.

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. 153 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



