STAND. COM. REP. NO. **525**-06

Honolulu, Hawaii

Falo 17, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 1876

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 1876 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GASOLINE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Governor to suspend the maximum pre-tax wholesale price of gasoline in the event of a natural disaster that has an adverse impact on or disrupts gasoline supplies or prices in the State.

The Department of Business, Economic, Development and Tourism, the Consumer Advocate, and the Western States Petroleum Association submitted testimony in opposition to this measure.

C & H Farms submitted testimony in support of this measure. Aloha Petroleum supported the intent of the measure.

Your Committee notes that although section 1 of this measure states that its intent is to apply to a natural disaster occurring anywhere in the world, this is not expressly stated in section 2 of the measure. Accordingly, your Committee requests that this issue be addressed by the subsequent committee receiving this measure.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1876 and recommends that it pass Second

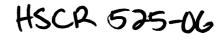
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Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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

HERMINA MORITA, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:				
HB 1876	2-16-06				
Committee Referral: EEP, CPC	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments				
☐ Hold ☐ Recommit					
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C)	/,				
2. EVANS, Cindy (VC)	v				
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.	~				
4. CARROLL, Mele				~	
5. HARBIN, Bev				V	
6. KANOHO, Ezra R.				V	
7. SCHATZ, Brian					
8. WATERS, Tommy	✓				
9. PINE, Kymberly					
10. THIELEN, Cynthia	/	-			
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TOTAL	6			4	
The recommendation is: Adopted					
☐ Not Adopted					
If joint referral.					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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