Honolulu, Hawaii

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H.B. No. 2275 RE:

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations, to which was referred H.B. No. 2275 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR ELECTRICITY PAYMENTS STATEWIDE, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation for statewide electricity payments for facilities assigned to the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Your Committee finds that the steady rise in world oil prices has directly contributed in a \$1,276,000 shortfall for fiscal year 2005-2006. Even with conservation measures, the electricity needed to run public buildings to sustain ongoing state operations is costing more simply because the cost per kilowatt hour is higher. DAGS cannot afford to absorb those higher costs without jeopardizing the provision of other services in the custodial services program that are necessary for health and safety.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2275, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations,

LORRAINE R. INDUYE Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation and Government Operations (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* HB 2275	Committee Referral:		Date:	Date: 3 \ 13 \ 06		
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is to:						
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