STAND. COM. REP. NO. 916

Honolulu, Hawaii

Monh 2, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1004 H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSUMER ADVOCACY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to enhance the ability of the Division of Consumer Advocacy (Division) of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to carry out its duties and responsibilities by:

- (1) Requiring the Division to restructure its operations pursuant to the Division's December 2006, report to the Legislature to improve its effectiveness and efficiency; and
- (2) Appropriating funds to meet the costs incurred as a result of the restructuring process.

The Executive Director of the Division, Public Utilities Commission, Hawaii Energy Policy Forum, The Gas Company, Hawaiian Electric Company, Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company, Ltd., Young Brothers, Hawaii Solar Energy Association, and a concerned individual supported this bill. Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Deleting any specific appropriation amounts; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:	~ / -	1 -		
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Committee Referral:	The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments				
☐ Hold ☐ Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration					
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)					
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)					
3. BELATTI, Della Au					
4. BROWER, Tom	16				
5. CARROLL, Mele					
6. CHONG, Pono			-		
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.					
8. HAR, Sharon E.	~				
9. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.					
10. MANAHAN, Joey	~			and the second section of the section of t	
11. MIZUNO, John					
12. NAKASONE, Bob	~			<u>-iiiiiiiiii-</u>	
13. RHOADS, Karl	<i>-</i>				
14. SAGUM, Roland D., III					
15. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				<u> </u>	
16. AWANA, Karen Leinani	-				
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose					
18. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	<u></u>				
TOTAL	16	â	0	1	
The recommendation is:					
□ Not Adopted					
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If joint referral,	ommittee acronym(s	did not suppo	ort recommendation.		
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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