STAND. COM. REP. NO. 528

Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe-16 , 2007

RE: H.B. No. 334

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Economic Development & Business Concerns and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 334 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SOPOGY INC., IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to decrease Hawaii's dependence on oil and increase its use of renewable resources by authorizing special purpose revenue bonds (SPRBs) to be issued to assist Sopogy, Inc., to plan, build, and operate a solar farm power plant at the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority (NELHA) site on the island of Hawaii.

Sopogy, Inc., Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance, and Hawaii Island Economic Development Board supported this bill. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committees find that space limitations at NELHA may prevent Sopogy from securing the land needed for its solar farm project. Accordingly, to allow Sopogy to move forward with its project, your Committee has amended this bill to allow SPRB funds to be used at suitable sites other than the NELHA site.

Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for consistency and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development & Business Concerns and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 334, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 334, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Economic Development & Business Concerns and Energy & Environmental Protection,

HERMINA MORITA, Chair

KYLE T. YAMASHITA,



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 334	Date:	Date: 2-13-07					
Committee Referral: EDB/EEP, FIN		☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended							
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EDB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused			
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)	_//	•	i i				
2. WAKAI, Glenn (VC)							
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.			MANAGE IN	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i			
4. BROWER, Tom							
5. CHANG, Jerry L.		,					
6. HANOHANO, Faye P.	V.						
7. HERKES, Robert N.		,					
8. MANAHAN, Joey	//						
9. TSUJI, Clift	//			-			
10. YAMANE, Ryan I.							
11. CHING, Corinne W.L.							
12. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.							
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EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused		
1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C)						
2. CARROLL, Mele (VC)	V					
3. CHONG, Pono	✓,		214. P			
4. ITO, Ken						
5. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓,		1 2			
6. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓,					
7. SAIKI, Scott K.	√					
8. THIELEN, Cynthia				✓		
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