STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1690 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.

S.B. No. 988

S.D. 2 H.D. 3

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2008 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 988, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to encourage the use of renewable energy by authorizing the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to establish a ratepayer-funded photovoltaic rebate program (rebate program) upon evaluating the costs and benefits of a rebate program and determining that a rebate program is in the public interest.

PUC, Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance, Sierra Club Hawaii Chapter, Hawaii Solar Energy Association, Hawaiian Electric Company, Hawaii Electric Light Company, Maui Electric Company, Island Pacific Energy, LLC, Suntech Hawaii, and ProVision Technologies, Inc., supported this bill.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that rules to implement the rebate program be adopted pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures law; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

SB988 HD3 HSCR FIN HMS 2008-3549



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 S.B. No. 988, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 988, S.D. 2, H.D. 3.

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

MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-fourth Legislature



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

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		ate:	
SB 988, SD2, HD2	EEP, CPC, FIN 3-31-2008			8
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD)				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)				
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)				
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani	V			
4. BELATTI, Della Au				
5. BROWER, Tom				
6. CARROLL, Mele	<u> </u>			
7. HANOHANO, Faye P.				
8. HAR, Sharon E.				
9. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki				
10. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.				
11. MANAHAN, Joey				
12. MIZUNO, John				
13. NAKASONE, Bob				
14. RHOADS, Karl				
15. SAGUM, Roland D., III				
16. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	<u></u>			
17. MEYER, Colleen Rose				
18. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	V			
19. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.			A CANADA	
TOTAL (19)	17	- 0	$\circ$	2
The recommendation is: Adop		did not suppo	ort recommendation	1.
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: Marif 3. Lel				
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