

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 20 2009

RE: S.B. No. 868
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was
referred S.B. No. 868 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to amend chapter 196, Hawaii
Revised Statutes, to:

- (1) Update certain definitions for clarity and to take into account the changes in the State's energy resources, markets, and systems;
- (2) Establish definitive policy guidance needed on the nature and relationship of energy data analyses to the State's energy program, and to clearly delineate distinctive analytic roles and responsibilities of state agencies conducting energy data functions; and
- (3) Provide the statutory basis for a systematic state energy analytic capacity and capability, which is essential to support the Energy Resources Coordinator's role.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one state department and one private organization. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.



Your Committee finds that, given the increasing need to establish Hawaii's energy independence, it is important to clarify and further define the duties and responsibilities of the state energy office. Your Committee finds that this measure allows the Energy Resources Coordinator to better carry out its statutory role in governing energy resource planning, as well as preserving and ensuring Hawaii's energy security.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive stylistic changes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 868, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 868, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy and
Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Energy and Environment
ENE

Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SB 868</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">ENE, CPN</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">2/12/09</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
TOTAL	7		0	
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; display: inline-block;">J. Kalani English</div>				
Distribution: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: 0.8em; margin-top: 5px;"> <div>Original File with Committee Report</div> <div>Yellow Clerk's Office</div> <div>Pink Drafting Agency</div> <div>Goldenrod Committee File Copy</div> </div>				

*Only one measure per Record of Votes