

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 478

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 591

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and
Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 591 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to encourage electric utilities
to exceed renewable portfolio standards or meet them ahead of time
by specifying the following incentives that may be provided by the
Public Utilities Commission (PUC), including:

- (1) A preferential rate for renewable electrical energy
purchased from renewable energy producers associated
with agriculture;
- (2) Renewable energy credit trading programs; and
- (3) Credits for providing certain environmental services.

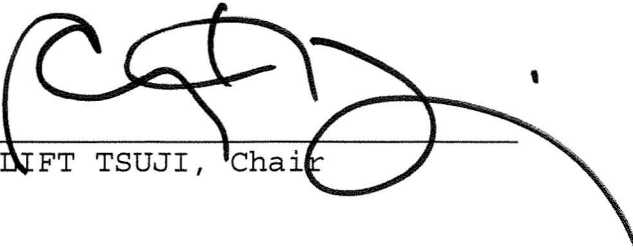
Gay & Robinson, Inc., ILWU Local 142, Hamakua Springs,
Alexander & Baldwin, Inc., and Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company
testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii Farm Bureau
Federation supported this measure with an amendment. The PUC and
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Division of Consumer
Advocacy offered comments.

HB591 HSCR EEP-AGR HMS 2009-2152




As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Agriculture that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 591 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Agriculture,



CHIFFT TSUJI, Chair



HERMINA MORITA, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 591 | Committee Referral: EEP/AGR, CPC | Date: 2-12-09 | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| EEP Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C) | ✓ | | | |
| 2. COFFMAN, Denny (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| 3. CABANILLA, Rida | ✓ | | | |
| 4. CHANG, Jerry L. | ✓ | | | ✓ <i>DE</i> |
| 5. CHONG, Pono | | | | ✓ |
| 6. HAR, Sharon E. | ✓ | | | |
| 7. HERKES, Robert N. | ✓ | | | |
| 8. ITO, Ken | ✓ | | | |
| 9. LEE, Chris | | | | ✓ |
| 10. LUKE, Sylvia | ✓ | | | |
| 11. SAGUM, Roland D., III | ✓ | | | |
| 12. CHING, Corinne W.L. | | | | ✓ |
| 13. THIELEN, Cynthia | ✓ | | | |
| TOTAL (13) | 10 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Denny Coffman</i></u> | | | | |
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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

| Bill/Resolution No.: HB 591 | Committee Referral: EEP/AGR, CPC | Date: Feb. 12, 2009 | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| AGR Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. TSUJI, Clift (C) | ✓ | | | |
| 2. WOOLEY, Jessica (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| 3. BERG, Lyla B. | ✓ | | | |
| 4. CHOY, Isaac W. | ✓ | | | |
| 5. EVANS, Cindy | ✓ | | | |
| 6. MANAHAN, Joey | ✓ | | | |
| 7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. | | | | - |
| 8. TAKAI, K. Mark | | | | |
| 9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane | | | | ✓ |
| 10. WAKAI, Glenn | | | | ✓ |
| 11. MARUMOTO, Barbara C. | ✓ | | | |
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| TOTAL (11) | 7 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small> | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ | | | | |
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