STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2409

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2289

S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy and Environment and Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 2289 entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize hydroelectric facilities as a permitted use on all classes of lands within state agricultural land use districts.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Hawaiian Electric Company. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Your Committees find that the development of hydroelectric energy-generating facilities in Hawaii is vital to the energy security and energy independence of the State. Increased use of renewable energy resources will achieve broad societal benefits, including resistance to increases in oil prices, environmental sustainability, economic development, and job creation.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

(1) Adding the legislature's findings regarding food security in the purpose section;

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- (2) Specifying that hydroelectric facilities, if on agricultural land, must be on land that meets certain requirements and that the facilities must meet certain requirements as well; and
- (3) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy and Environment and Agriculture that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2289, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2289, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Housing.

CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair

MIKE GABBARD, Chai

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the

Committees on Energy and Environment, and Agriculture,

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The Recommendation is:								
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DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.								
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