CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO. 44

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1042

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Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1042, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to improve the Public Utilities Commission's ability to respond and adapt to the changing regulatory environment by:

- (1) Clarifying its authority to hire professional and other staff; and
- (2) Repealing existing legislatively-imposed permanent and temporary staff position descriptions.

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Your Committee on Conference finds that the increased demand for energy and technological advancements in generating renewable energy, as well as changes in the delivery of other public utilities, requires the Public Utilities Commission to have a modernized and sophisticated workforce to carry out its increasingly complex regulatory functions. This measure allows the Chairperson of the Public Utilities Commission the flexibility to identify, design, and fill the positions necessary to steward the State through these dynamic and challenging technology-driven times.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of upon approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1042, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1042, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Co-Chair

SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Co-Chair

CLAYTON HEE, Co-Chair

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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

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The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
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