STAND. COM. REP. NO. -16 Honolulu, Hawaii March 4 , 2016 H.B. No. 2416 RE:

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2416 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Repeal chapter 201N, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to the renewable energy facility siting process, due to lack of implementation;
- (2) Allow any employee hired as renewable energy facility siting process staff before July 1, 2016, and transferred to another Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) position as a consequence of this measure, to retain the employee's exempt status; earned service, vacation, and sick leave credits; and employee benefits and privileges; and require that the employee not be appointed to a civil service position as a result of this measure;
- (3) Authorize the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to prescribe the duties and qualifications of the employee and set the employee's salary without regard to laws on compensation and collective bargaining;



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- (4) Require that proceeds in the Renewable Energy Facility Siting Special Fund be deposited into the general fund on July 1, 2016; and
- (5) Specify that all records, equipment, and other personal and real property of the renewable energy facility siting process be maintained by the Hawaii State Energy Office or transferred to an appropriate DBEDT agency.

DBEDT testified in support of this measure. The Office of the Auditor submitted comments.

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 H.B. No. 2416 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-eighth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2416	Committee Referral: EEP, FIN		Date: 03/01/16	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
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The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. DeCOITE, Lynn				
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
15. POUHA, Feki				
16. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (16)	15			(
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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