

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2616 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED RENEWABLE ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make the benefits of renewable-energy generation more accessible to a greater number of Hawaii residents by establishing a community net energy metering program to be administered by the Public Utilities Commission.

The Blue Planet Foundation and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Hawaiian Electric Company, Maui Electric Company, and Hawaii Electric Light Company opposed the measure. The Public Utilities Commission submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2616 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection,

CHRIS LEE, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2616	Committee Referral: EEP, CPC, FIN	Date:	2/4/16	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Image: Pass, unamended (as is) Image: Pass, with amendments (HD) Image: Hold Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LEE, Chris (C)				
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)				
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
4. EVANS, Cindy				
5. ING, Kaniela				
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
7. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				
8. YAMANE, Ryan I.				
9. POUHA, Feki				
10. THIELEN, Cynthia				
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TOTAL (10)	10	<u> </u>		φ
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: MAQ E. K.				
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