

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 887
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which
was referred H.B. No. 887 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote the use of
environmentally-friendly hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in Hawaii by
requiring the Department of Accounting and General Services to
create, implement, and report to the Legislature on a process to
replace state fleet vehicles with hydrogen fuel cell vehicles and
appropriating funds for that purpose.

The Blue Planet Foundation and Hawaii Automobile Dealers'
Association supported this measure. The Department of Accounting
and General Services submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Adding a new provision giving hydrogen fuel cell
vehicles highest priority in state vehicle procurement
pursuant to the Hawaii Public Procurement Code,
effective July 1, 2017;
- (2) Adding a new provision to include hydrogen fuel cell
vehicles in existing exemptions from parking fees and
high occupancy vehicle lane restrictions applicable to
other alternative fuel vehicles;



- (3) Deleting provisions requiring the Department of Accounting and General Services to procure new hydrogen fuel cell vehicles and dispose of non-hydrogen fuel cell vehicles;
- (4) Amending the Department of Accounting and General Services' reporting requirements to include a report to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2016 regarding recommendations to accomplish the replacement of state fleet vehicles with alternative fuel and fuel-efficient vehicles; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 887, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 887, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: HB887	Committee Referral: EEP, TRN, FIN	Date: 2/5/12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. 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	✓			
TOTAL (10)	10	0	0	0
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: <i>Nicole E Lowen</i>				
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