

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2216

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 17 , 2023

RE: S.C.R. No. 82
S.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 82, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTEGRATED HAWAII PACIFIC HYDROGEN HUB,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support the Hawaii State Energy Office in establishing an integrated Hawaii Pacific Hydrogen Hub.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; University of Hawai'i System; Hawaii State Energy Office; Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; Servco Pacific Inc.; Hawai'i Gas; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1260; and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that hydrogen energy has potential to serve as a source of clean, firm, dispatchable power and a method of energy storage, offering another pathway for decarbonization of the industrial sector and enabling energy security for critical infrastructure. This measure supports the efforts of the Hawaii State Energy Office in pursuing the establishment of a Hawaii Pacific Hydrogen Hub, which could provide greater energy security

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for the residents of Hawaii through the local production, processing, transport, storage, and use of clean hydrogen.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 82, S.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

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



NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



