STAND. COM. REP. NO.

Honolulu, Hawaii

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H.R. No. 37 RE:

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 H.R. No. 37 entitled:

"HOUSE 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 the establishment of 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; Servco Pacific Inc.; and Hawai'i Gas.

Your Committee finds that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act includes funding to establish six to ten regional clean hydrogen hubs across the United States to be a central driver in helping communities benefit from clean energy investments, goodpaying jobs, and improved energy security. Your Committee further finds that the State was encouraged to proceed to a full application for its integrated Hawaii Pacific Hydrogen Hub for the United States Department of Energy Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs funding opportunity. This measure supports the efforts of the Hawaii State Energy Office to establish a Hawaii Pacific Hydrogen

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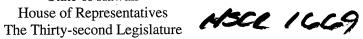
Hub to provide economic vitality and greater energy security for the people of Hawaii and the Pacific region.

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 H.R. No. 37 and recommends its adoption.

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

NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair

## State of Hawaii



## Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:	17	_
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
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)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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2. COCHRAN, Elle (VC)			- Ingress No.	
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3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
4. KAHALOA, Kirstin				
5. PERRUSO, Amy A.			,	
6. WOODSON, Justin H.				
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The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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