

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3170

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 21 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1972
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred H.B. No. 1972, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a working group within the Hawaii State Energy Office to make recommendations for the reuse and recycling of electric vehicle batteries.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Energy Office; Department of Health; Hawai'i Environmental Change Agents Solid Waste Reduction Task Force; Redwood Materials Inc.; Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition; Climate Protectors Hawai'i; Hawaii Automobile Dealers Association; and Energy and Climate Action Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i Environmental Caucus.

Your Committees received comments on this measure from Radius Recycling, Alliance for Automotive Innovation, and one individual.

Your Committees find that improving the management of end-of-life batteries is a part of achieving the State's resilient clean energy economy. Your Committees further find that electric



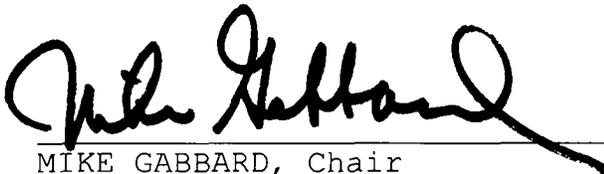
vehicle (EV) batteries contain critical materials that have the realistic potential to continue serving the energy economy, assuming the EV battery waste stream is managed well in the reverse supply chain. This measure's proposed working group will help the state ensure the integration of end-of-life battery management aligns with its clean energy objectives.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting a representative of the automotive recycling industry to be invited to serve as a member of the Electric Vehicle Battery Recycling and Reuse Working Group; and
- (2) Inserting an effective date of January 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1972, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1972, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism and
Agriculture and Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair

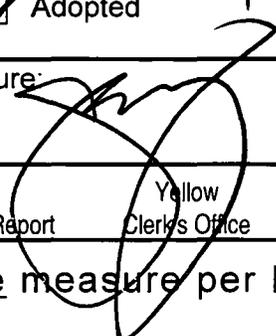


LYNN DECOITE, Chair



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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DECOITE, Lynn (C)	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
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GABBARD, Mike (C)	X			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (VC)	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
RHOADS, Karl	X			
AWA, Brenton				X
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