

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

981

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2025

RE: S.B. No. 964  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 964, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTE-TO-ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Hawaii State Energy Office to establish a public-private partnership to develop a waste-to-energy generating facility in each county having a population of less than eight hundred thousand.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Heartland Water Technology, IBEW Local Union 1186, Kingdom of the Hawaiian Islands, and eight individuals.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from Circular Hawaii, Energy Justice Network, Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition and Climate Protectors Hawaii, Hawaii Wildlife Fund, HECA Solid Waste Task Force, Kauai Climate Action Coalition, Life of the Land, Mr. K's Recycle and Redemption Center Inc., Recycle Hawaii, Surfrider Foundation, Sustainable Kohala, Zero Waste Kauai, 350 Hawaii, and numerous individuals.

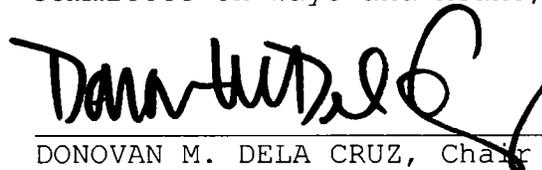
Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Hawaii State Energy Office and Hawaiian Electric.



Your Committee finds that using waste-to-energy technology can help reduce the State's solid waste stream by diverting waste from landfills while producing energy and extracting valuable materials for recycling. Accordingly, your Committee finds that the authorization in this measure to develop waste-to-energy facilities will help the State meet its goals of reducing the solid waste stream and increasing the production of sustainable energy.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 964, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



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DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB964 SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EIG, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2-28-2025</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				X
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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