

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1980
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1980, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a goal of the State to retrofit state facilities to be electric vehicle charger-ready;
- (2) Beginning July 1, 2027, require the design of all new state building construction where parking is to be included to provide that at least twenty-five percent of parking stalls be electric vehicle charger-ready;
- (3) Require the Hawaii State Energy Office, in consultation with all state agencies that have parking facilities, to conduct a survey and identify certain high-priority state facilities to be retrofit to include electric vehicle charging infrastructure; and
- (4) Appropriate funds for the Hawaii State Energy Office to assess the cost to install, or contract for the



installation of, retrofits and electric vehicle charging systems at high-priority state facilities.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation; Department of Accounting and General Services; Hawai'i Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission; Alliance for Automobile Innovation; 350Hawaii.org; Kauai Climate Action Coalition; Clean the Pacific; Climate Protectors Hawai'i; Green Party of Hawai'i; Imua Alliance; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i State Energy Office.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1980, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



CHRIS TODD, Chair



