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**TESTIMONY OF
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TESTIMONY ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. No. 3183, Relating to Renewable Energy

BEFORE THE:

Senate Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs

DATE: Tuesday, February 10, 2026

TIME: 3:08 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 224

Chair Wakai, Vice-Chair Chang, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Taxation (DOTAX) offers the following comments regarding S.B. 3183 for your consideration.

S.B. 3183 amends section 235-12.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Renewable Energy Technologies Income Tax Credit (RETITC), by adding a subsection that limits the credit for systems installed on a single-family residential property to individual or jointly filing taxpayers with an adjusted gross income (AGI) of \$250,000 or less. This income restriction does not apply to a third-party financing a solar energy system for single-family residential property, or to any energy system that primarily uses solar energy to heat water for household use.

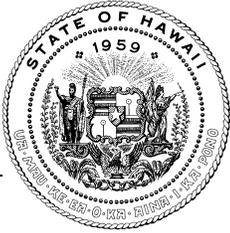
The bill deletes the \$5,000 cap per solar energy system for single-family residential property other than solar water heaters under section 235-12.5(c)(2)(A). As a result, eligible taxpayers will be able to claim the credit for a single-family residential property based on 35 percent of the actual cost.

S.B. 3183 also increases the AGI thresholds for individual taxpayers, from \$20,000 to \$40,000 for individual filers, and from \$40,000 to \$60,000 for those filing as married filing jointly, to request any excess of the credit over payments be refundable.

The measure is effective upon approval and applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.

DOTAX notes that it can implement the tax law changes by the effective date currently stated in the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.



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Testimony of
MARK B. GLICK, Chief Energy Officer

before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Tuesday, February 10, 2026
3:08 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224 and Videoconference

Providing Comments on
SB 3183

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the Committee, the Hawai'i State Energy Office (HSEO) SB 3183, which proposes several amendments to the Renewable Energy Technologies Income Tax Credit (REITC). Specifically, the measure would: 1) impose a \$250,000 adjusted gross income (AGI) eligibility limit for certain residential solar credits beginning December 31, 2026, with specified exemptions; 2) remove the existing cap amounts for solar energy systems, excluding solar water heating systems; and 3) increase the AGI eligibility thresholds for individual taxpayers electing to receive refundable credits.

SB 3183 raises important equity questions about who benefits from state incentives. However, given current market conditions and the recent expiration of federal residential solar incentives, HSEO cautions against implementing significant changes to the REITC in this legislative session. Accordingly, HSEO recommends removing the language imposing the \$250,000 AGI eligibility limit (page 5, lines 4-14). If the committee prefers to keep the language, HSEO suggests increasing the threshold.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 1:17:52 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Gilroy	Testifying for Sungage Financial LLC	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Michael Gilroy

CEO

Sungage Financial LLC



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Testimony of the Hawaii Solar Energy Association (HSEA) Regarding SB3183, Relating to Renewable Energy, Before the Senate Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members,

The Hawaii Solar Energy Association (HSEA) offers **comments** on SB3183. HSEA appreciates the Legislature’s continued attention to ensuring that Hawaii’s renewable energy policies promote affordability, equity, economic opportunity, and progress toward the State’s clean energy and resilience goals.

HSEA represents locally owned solar and energy storage contractors, as well as national and global clean energy companies doing business in Hawaii. Our members employ thousands of Hawaii residents in skilled, family-sustaining jobs across construction, engineering, sales, and operations.

Support for Removal of the Residential Cap

HSEA **strongly supports** the bill’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the Renewable Energy Technologies Income Tax Credit (RETITC) for residential solar systems.

This change is timely and appropriate. Federal support for residential solar and energy storage is being scaled back or eliminated, creating significant uncertainty and disruption in Hawaii’s clean energy market. At the same time, Hawaii continues to face high electricity costs, increasing climate risks, and growing demand for customer-sited solar and battery systems that enhance grid resilience.

Removing the cap helps ensure the RETITC continues to function as intended:

- lowering upfront costs,
- enabling solar-plus-storage adoption, and
- mobilizing private capital to support the State’s renewable energy, affordability, and resilience objectives.

At a moment when federal policy is retreating, state and local governments must step up. This provision does exactly that.



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Concerns with the Income Restriction on Residential Systems

HSEA has **significant concerns** with the provision restricting eligibility for the RETITC for single-family residential systems based on taxpayer income.

While we understand and respect the intent to address equity and affordability, HSEA believes this approach is likely to have **unintended and counterproductive consequences**.

First, the restriction risks suppressing overall demand at a time when Hawaii is already falling behind on its distributed energy resource (DER) deployment goals, including those articulated in the Governor's Executive Order No. 25-01 and Act 266 (SB589). Slowing rooftop solar and energy storage deployment makes it harder, not easier, to achieve these statewide objectives.

Second, reducing market participation harms local businesses and workers. Hawaii's solar industry employs thousands of residents across income levels, many of whom are precisely the intended beneficiaries of affordability-focused policies. Shrinking the market reduces project volume, raises soft costs, and undermines job stability in an industry that delivers broad economic benefits across the State.

Third, income-based exclusions risk increasing costs for remaining participants. Smaller markets mean fewer economies of scale, higher per-unit costs, and less competition -- outcomes that ultimately make solar and storage less affordable for everyone.

Finally, this approach frames clean energy deployment as a zero-sum exercise, creating winners and losers rather than expanding access system-wide. Hawaii's clean energy transition requires inclusive, scalable solutions that grow the market while ensuring benefits are broadly shared.

More Effective Ways to Advance Equity and Affordability

If the Legislature's goal is to expand equitable access to clean energy, HSEA believes more effective tools are available, including:

- expanding access to financing through the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority (HGIA);
- standing up viable Community-Based Renewable Energy (CBRE) and Retail Wheeling programs with on-bill payment;
- reducing soft costs through permitting and interconnection reform;



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- implementing well-designed grid services tariffs that reduce customer bills and drive higher penetration of reliable, lower-cost energy on the grid; and
- addressing high energy burdens directly through programs such as LIHEAP.

These approaches increase access without shrinking the market, harming local employers, or slowing progress toward Hawaii's clean energy goals.

Conclusion

HSEA supports SB3183's removal of the residential cap on the RETITC and appreciates the Legislature's intent to address affordability and equity. However, we respectfully urge the Committee to reconsider the income-based restriction on residential systems and to pursue more inclusive, market-expanding strategies that align with Hawaii's renewable energy, economic development, and resilience priorities.

The RETITC has consistently proven to be a high-return public investment -- driving private capital, creating local jobs, strengthening energy security, and delivering long-term benefits to taxpayers. Preserving and strengthening that role is critical at this moment.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

Sincerely,

/s/ Rocky Mould
Executive Director

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 11:17:17 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Fredrick Brooks	Testifying for Pacific Panel Cleaners	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Respectfully

Fredrick G Brooks

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SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 9:32:32 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kim Keahiolalo	Testifying for EP Cube	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill,

Kim Keahiolalo

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 9:29:06 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Anthony Amendola	Testifying for Energy Advisors, LLC	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

February 9, 2026

Support SB3183

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and committee members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced. I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawai'i's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Mahalo for your leadership.

Respectfully,

"Making Sustainability Profitable"

Energy Advisors provides turn-key building improvement solutions through the development and funding of renewable energy, energy efficiency, EV Charging, and capital improvements in Hawai'i.

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 11:50:03 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Chris Schopen	Testifying for Alternate Energy Inc	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 2:06:32 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
James Rudolph	Testifying for Independent Energy	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

James Rudolph



Legislative Testimony of Sunrun Inc.
Before the EIG Committee
February 10, 2026

PROVIDING COMMENTS on SB3183 – Relating to Renewable Energy

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and distinguished Members of the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs,

Sunrun is the nation’s leading home solar, battery storage and energy services company, and has a long and proud history in Hawai‘i with office and warehouse locations on O‘ahu, Maui, and Hawai‘i Islands. We directly employ more than 200 professional solar workers across the islands, including sales/marketers, customer experience professionals, and installation team members including electrical inspectors, technicians, forepersons and warehouse personnel.

Sunrun would like to provide comments on SB3183, which would 1) restrict eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income; 2) remove the \$5,000 cap on the residential solar tax credit; and 3) expand refundability for lower-income households.

Sunrun supports SB3183’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is critical to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced. The rooftop solar industry is already experiencing a significant downturn since the 30% federal residential clean energy tax credit (25D) expired at the end of 2025.

Further, Sunrun shares industry concerns that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawai‘i’s progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals at a time of major federal market disruption. Hawai‘i has a 100% renewable portfolio standard (RPS) by 2045, and DER systems are critical to achieving the state’s goals while improving both affordability and grid resilience.

As a national provider of solar, storage, and energy services, Sunrun respectfully urges the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction in SB3183. Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony on this legislation.

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 11:40:57 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Miles	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Sincerely,

Miles Yoshimoto

Project Developer

Alternate Energy Inc.

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SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/8/2026 4:32:29 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brett Kulbis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Chair Wakai and Committee Members,

My name is Brett Kulbis, I'm a 26yr retired Navy Veteran, who took a solemn oath to defend the Constitution from all enemies foreign and domestic, and that oath didn't expire when I retired. I live in Ewa Beach.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE BILL SB-3183.

From a fiscal conservative standpoint, SB-3183 bill fails to reduce the size or scope of Hawaii's renewable energy subsidy and instead preserves, and in some areas expands, a costly, technology-specific tax credit. It maintains large preferences for solar and wind, including very high caps for commercial installations, while removing an important per-system cap for certain single-family solar systems, thereby eliminating a key guardrail on how large individual credits can become. At a time of competing demands on the State budget, this is not prudent fiscal stewardship.

SB-3183 also entrenches what was originally sold as a transitional incentive, turning it into a de facto permanent entitlement with no clear exit strategy or sunset. Renewable technologies have matured, costs have dropped, and the industry is well established, yet the bill continues to pick winners and losers by favoring particular technologies and business models. The exemption of third-party financiers from the new income cap on single-family systems privileges certain companies and structures, allowing higher-income households to benefit indirectly while other families and small businesses receive no comparable broad-based tax relief. This kind of targeted credit distorts markets and shifts the tax burden onto those outside the favored sector.

Finally, SB-3183 makes an already complex provision of the tax code more convoluted, adding income caps for some systems but not others, special rules for specific technologies, and multiple refundable-credit thresholds. Complexity itself has a fiscal cost: it invites confusion, gaming, and higher administrative expenses, while making it harder for ordinary taxpayers to understand or comply with the law. If the Legislature wishes to help low- and moderate-income households with energy costs, that goal would be better served through transparent budgeted programs or broad-based tax relief, not a permanent, technology-specific tax expenditure. For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to defer SB-3183 and instead pursue reforms that sunset or scale down this credit, restore clear limits on exposure, and move toward a simpler, more neutral tax code that lowers rates for everyone rather than carving out special deals for a few.

Respectfully,

Brett Kulbis

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 10:10:49 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Louis Concato	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I am writing in **support** of SB3183’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is a critical step to support solar & energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

Additionally, **I am concerned** that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii’s progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 10:24:24 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Greg Tjapkes	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I SUPPORT SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit to help sustain solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives decline.

My name is Greg Tjapkes (chap-kes), and I've been involved with Hawaii's solar industry since 2012, and selling residential solar since 2013. I do this as a 'second' income source, which allows my family to keep up with the cost of living in Hawaii.

The tax credit has is a major factor in the purchasing of a solar system - at ALL income levels. The loss of the federal residential tax credit has slowed business, and many customers that couldn't get their system installed in 2025 have now cancelled or paused the project.

I am concerned that income-based restrictions on single-family systems could reduce demand, harm local solar jobs, and slow Hawai'i's clean energy and resilience progress. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment.

Greg Tjapked

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 11:21:57 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Radford Nakamura	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Thank you,

Radford Nakamura

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 11:33:58 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Scott Saville	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Sample testimony language

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii’s progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Scott

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 12:07:57 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Roy Skaggs	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear, Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members,

I am in strong support of SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am very concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction. If an income restriction had to be in place, the limit for joint filers should be double that of single filers and both should be increased from where this Bill suggests IF restrictions were placed. I hope no restrictions are placed.

Mahalo!

Roy Skaggs

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 1:18:25 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jeff	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

aloha, Jeff Lum

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Submitted on: 2/9/2026 2:15:23 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Joshua F. Powell	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are eliminated. It will prove critical toward helping local families and solar installers transition after the abrupt removal of the federal residential solar ITC at the end of 2025.

I am, however, concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar installers and workers, and slow Hawaii’s progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction (perhaps using a phase approach with the income restriction over 2-3 years would accomplish the same goal without having a similar cliff impact as the removal of the federal residential ITC did).

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Josh Powell, Honolulu

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SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 3:40:11 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
David Thompson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support this bill.

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SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/9/2026 4:28:43 PM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alan Lennard	Testifying for Green Power Projects LLC	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183’s removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii’s progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Alan Lennard

LATE

SB-3183

Submitted on: 2/10/2026 6:39:32 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
William Giese	Testifying for Inter-Island Solar Supply/The Solaray Corporation	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

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Submitted on: 2/10/2026 8:55:53 AM

Testimony for EIG on 2/10/2026 3:08:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jeffrey Kaemmerlen	Testifying for Sunspear Energy	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Chang, and Committee Members:

I support SB3183's removal of the \$5,000 cap on the renewable energy tax credit, which is an important step to support solar and energy storage deployment as federal incentives are reduced.

I am concerned that restricting eligibility for single-family residential systems based on income could reduce demand, harm local solar businesses and workers, and slow Hawaii's progress toward its clean energy and resilience goals. I urge the Legislature to retain the cap removal and reconsider the income restriction.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.

Jeffrey Kaemmerlen
CEO
Sunspear Energy