

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2507  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2507, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate general funds for two additional temporary staff positions for the greenhouse gas emissions reduction task force established within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism by Act 234, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007.

Testimony in support of the measure was received from the Hawaii Energy Policy Forum and Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.

Your Committee finds that the greenhouse gas emissions reduction task force was established in 2007 to prepare a comprehensive work plan and regulatory scheme for implementing feasible, cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. The numerous and demanding tasks imposed on the task force have created a need for additional professional and technical support.

Your Committee amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the source of appropriations from general funds to the energy security special fund, which is being established through a different measure;



- (2) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (3) Making the effective date of this measure the same as, and contingent upon, the effective date of H.B. No. 2505 in any form, as that measure establishes the energy security special fund.

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 H.B. No. 2507, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2507, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

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

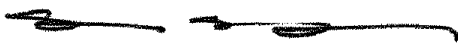


ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

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<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
MENOR, Ron	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
WHALEN, Paul	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
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