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H.B. 1580, H.D. 2
RELATING TO ENERGY

Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** the intent to establish a clean ground transportation benchmark framework to maximize consumer fuel savings, including a near term 2025 target encouraging electric vehicle infrastructure buildout supporting Hawaii's goal for the reduction and ultimate elimination of the use of imported fuels for ground transportation.

The DOT will collaborate with the State Energy Office to develop recommendations to achieve these benchmarks.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



TO: SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

FROM: Richard Parry
President of Hawaii Petroleum Marketers Association

HEARING

DATE: Monday, March 20, 2017

TIME: 1:20 p.m.

PLACE: State Capitol, Conference Room 225

RE: Testimony on H.B. No. 1580, HD2 Relating to Energy

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy, I am Richard Parry, President of the Hawaii Petroleum Marketers Association (“HPMA”). HPMA is a non-profit trade association comprised of members who directly market liquid motor fuel products across the Hawaiian Islands. Our membership includes individuals and companies who operate as independent marketers, jobbers or distributors of petroleum products and who buy liquid motor fuel products at the wholesale level and sell or distribute products to retail customers, other wholesalers, and other bulk consumers. HPMA’s primary purpose is to protect and advance its members’ legislative and regulatory interests in the Hawaiian Islands and Washington, D.C.

HPMA would like to comment on H.B. No. 1580, HD2 which seeks to prepare the State for the transition to renewable ground transportation in Hawaii and establish a clean ground transportation benchmark framework, including a near term 2025 target for the reduction and ultimate elimination of the use of imported fuels for ground transportation. H.B. No. 1580, HD2 also directs the state department of transportation to collaborate with the state energy office to identify a plan and develop recommendations to support the achievement of benchmarks leading to the ultimate elimination of imported fuels for ground transportation.

In order to make any plan to transition to renewable ground transportation in Hawaii work, the petroleum industry is clearly a stakeholder, and therefore, must have input into the plan. Accordingly, we recommend that the bill be changed to amend Chapter 264 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, as follows:

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- (a) (3): "Convene stakeholders, including existing ground transportation fuel providers, in a clean ground transportation forum to solicit and incorporate input on the department of transportation's clean ground transportation activities to help achieve the goals of this section."

HPMA stands ready and willing to assist and offer our input on developing the clean ground transportation benchmark framework for the State of Hawaii.

The purpose of the clean ground transportation forum is to create baseline metrics, identify a plan, and develop recommendations to achieve one hundred per cent renewable ground transportation. H.B. 1580 HD2, however, fails to require any consideration of the economics of the plan. Accordingly, we recommend that the bill be changed to amend Section 196-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as follows:

- (a) (8): "A plan, to be implemented between 2017 and 2015 to achieve a reduction of five per cent in fossil fuel consumption for ground transportation relative to 2016 levels and shall include economic evaluation of the costs of implementing the plan, as well as metrics to measure and evaluate progress towards the target fossil fuel reductions in ground transportation, to be established by the state energy office; provided that two years prior to the completion of the plan and every five years thereafter, a report shall be submitted to the legislature that includes:"

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and provide our concerns regarding H.B. No. 1580, HD2.

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Testimony Supporting HB1580 HD2

Aloha Senator Inouye and esteemed members of Committee on Transportation and Energy,

Hawaii Bicycling League strongly supports the establishment of goal of 100% clean energy in the transportation by 2045 and urges the amendment of HB1580 HD2 to the original language reflecting this.

Just as our 100% clean energy goal is serving as a guiding vision for our energy sector, we need similar vision to guide the transportation sector. A 100% clean transportation goal will serve as a guiding light for investments in transit and bicycle and pedestrian facilities, land use decisions, and growth of electric vehicles. All these items will not only lead to less oil burned and carbon dioxide emitted, but also more energy independence and less expensive transportation for the people of Hawaii.

Thank you very much for considering these comments. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please contact Chad Taniguchi (808-735-5756, chad@hbl.org) or Daniel Alexander (808-275-6717, daniel@hbl.org).

Ride and Drive Aloha,

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